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Joseph puts surprise new offer to teachers

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, in a surprise move last night took the first positive initiative in the teachers' pay dispute. He offered teachers more money next year of they agree to a new contract including appraisal of performance.

The move comes after meetings at 10 Downing Street between the Prime Minister and senior ministers to talk about the teachers' pay dispute, the Government's hard line on it, and the strikes which have been disrupting children's education for the past three months.

There is dissatisfaction in Conservative ranks about the Government's handling of the dispute and the effect it is thought to have had on the shire county elections this month.

Yesterday 22 Conservatives were among 30 MPs who signed a Commons motion urging the Government to negotiate "in a spirit of goodwill" with the teachers.

The government initiative comes in letters from Sir Keith to the leaders of the local authority employers' side, Mr Philip Merridale, chairman of the education committee of the Association of County Councils, and Mrs Nicky Harrison, chairman of the education committee at the Association of Metorpolitan Authorities.

In the letters Sir Keith says that extra money could be provided for teachers' pay in 1986-87 provided that was firm agreement in principle by October to a new deal involving better promotion prospects for teachers and a new contract.

He emphasizes that the government is not able to make additional money availabel for this year's pay settlement, 1985-86.

Listed in a document accompanying the lettes are 14 items in a provisional list of the kind of duties which teachers might be expected to perform in any new contract of employment. The two most controversial items are teacher appraisal and cover for absent colleagues.

A question mark is put over the supervision of lunch breaks. Sir Keith says: "In the Government's view agreement could exclude midday supervision from the range of teachers' duties from 1986-87. The Government would then provide in the 1986-87 rate support grant settlement some additional resources for midday supervision costs."

The general secretary of the second biggest teachers' union, the National Association of Schoolmasters Union of Women Teachers, gave a cautious welcome to the initiative.

"I welcome this very limited indication by the Government that there is a problem with teachers' pay but I am sure everyone will recognize that it is no way of solving this year's dispute," Mr Fred Smithies said.

In a private meeting with the NAS/UWT earlier this year Sir Keith indicated that a pay increase in the order of 7.5 per cent for the reforms would have to be phased over a number of years.

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Football levy board urged after fire

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

A new organization to channel money raised from football into ground improvements is thought likely by ministers to emerge from the Bradford City fire.

A football levy board, along the lines of the Horserace Betting Levy Board, set up in 1963 for the betterment of racing, is favoured inside the Government as a way of preventing disasters and stopping up to 40 of the lower division clubs going out of business in the next decade.

In the immediate aftermath of Bradford ministers are concentrating on making grounds safe before the next football season starts in August.

An extensive programme of fire checks is under way and surveyors appointed by the Football Grounds Improvement Trust are rapidly assessing the costs of bringing third and fourth division grounds up to the new standards required by the Government.

Detailed consideration has yet to be given to the longer term but ministers are agreed that the situation which allowed the 53 people to be killed when the Bradford stand caught fire, cannot be allowed to continue, and a levy scheme is being canvassed with enthusiasm.

In horseracing a percentage of the annual turnover of bookmakers and the Tote (usually about 1 per cent from each goes to the levy board, which spends the income, more than £17m in 1983-84, for the benefit of the sport, including course improvements.

Ministers believe that a football board could derive its income not only from gambling but from the game itself. In addition to a levy on the Pool's Promoters' Association, which already gives about £7 million a year from its spot-the-ball revenue to the Football Trust on a voluntary basis, it could also take a percentage on transfer fees, the sponsorship received by clubs, and the turnover of clubs making big profits.

It is also accepted that the Government could contribute some of the £200 million a year it receives in taxation from the football pools.

The board would then be responsible for overseeing the building of new stands or even stadiums the improvement and modernization of existing ones and improving amenities in the areas around grounds.

The Government would probably set up the board on a statutory basis, as with the racing board, and then leave the industry to run it.

Critics savage Joseph college plans

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education yesterday met a barrage of criticism from educationalists and MPs of all parties over his proposals on the future of universities and polytechnics.

Mr Giles Radice, Opposition spokesman on education, said the Green Paper was a miserable flop. Mr Enoch Powell, Official Unionist MP for South Down, said it was "barbaric".

Sir Keith's critics were concerned that student numbers will be cut by at least 70,000 after 1990, that the Green Paper talks of closures of departments of institutions, and that it contains a relentless emphasis on the need for universities to meet the manpower needs of industry.

Mr Maurice Shock, chairman of the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals and vice chancellor of Leicester University, called on the Government to think again. He said: "This is not the way to improve our competitiveness and quality of life."

Mr Peter Dawson, general secretary of the college lecturers' union, said the Green Paper demonstrated that there is no effective plan for higher education into the 1990s.

In the Commons, Mr Robert Rhodes James, Conservative MP for Cambridge, told Sir Keith that universities and polytechnics could not accept a policy of contraction. Page 2

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Brittan heckled by jail officers

Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, faced heckling for the second time in a week when he addressed the annual conference of the Prison Officers' Association in Portsmouth yesterday.

After a stormy reception at the Police Federation conference a week ago, he was greeted by stony silence and then sporadic shouts and occasional laughter from delegates angry at the Prison Department's financial policies.

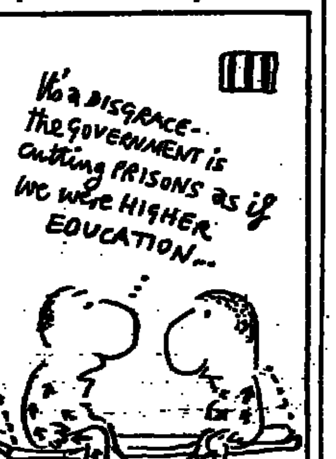
At the end of the speech, during which he announced a crash programme to head off potential trouble in the prison system, there was muted applause and some slow hand clapping.

Mr Philip Hill, secretary of the Chelmsford branch of the association, said later that his chairman, Mr Ivan Ross, was among about a dozen delegates who walked out as soon as Mr Brittan began speaking.

Mr Ross was protesting at the way financial cuts are being imposed at the prisons. He said: "The cuts are going to put staff and security at risk."

Mr Brittan told the conference that another 240 officers were to be recruited into the service immediately. They would be posted to prison and remand centres where pressure was particularly high.

He is also to provide within a few weeks up to 1,000 extra prison places to meet the record numbers of prisoners, at present about 46,514. He is also considering whether there is scope for reducing the burden imposed on staff by the extra facilities given to remand prisoners.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The number of remand prisoners has also risen steeply to more than 9,500.

Mr Brittan, knew, and conference knew that at a meeting on May 7 Mr Colin Steel, chairman of the Prison Officers' Association had warned him that members would decide to cut the jail population to what prisons were officially supposed to hold "unless he took some action urgently to ease the pressure". The police cells would be full within a month.

Mr Steel told conference the message should be clear: "do nothing and the prison service will explode at the seams". If the prisoners decided they had had enough then there would be "desperate problems".

He added: "Inmate unrest will be a constant feature of 1985 unless something dramatic is done about the prison population and the conditions in which we are keeping inmates."

Officers would not allow the public to be threatened by inmate violence, although it would probably be at the expense of injury to officers.

Mr Brittan said that more

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The Princess of Wales visiting the recession-hit Northeast with a tour of Tyne and Wear.

Palumbo's City tower rejected

By Charles Knevitt
Architectural Correspondent

The controversial plan to build a 290ft office block designed by the late Mies van der Rohe at Mansion House, in the City of London, has been rejected by the Government. Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, will announce his decision this afternoon.

Last night, Mr Peter Palumbo, aged 49, the property developer who has spent 26 years and £10 million acquiring the site, was not available to comment. Conservationists opposed to the plan, which required the demolition of nine listed buildings, including Mappin and Webb, welcomed the news.

The 21-storey tower contained 178,000 sq ft of offices and the plan provided for a new square with an underground shopping centre. The Prince of Wales described the scheme last year as "another giant glass stump better suited to downtown Chicago than the City of London".

Although rejecting the tower, it is believed that Mr Jenkin may have paved the way for Mr Palumbo to commission a new building for the site by allowing him to demolish the listed buildings.

Last month *The Times* disclosed that the Prime Minister was taking a keen interest in the decision.

The £75 million development became one of the most controversial planning issues since the war. Details were first released by Mr Rudolph Palumbo, Mr Peter Palumbo's father, in 1968.

The Court of Common Council of the City of London approved the application in principle, but said that the developer must first acquire the whole site.

At a two month public inquiry last year it was supported by Mr Michael Manser, president of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and most of the architectural establishment. It was opposed by the City, Greater London Council, Royal Fine Art Commission, the Victorian Society and Save Britain's Heritage.

Mr Stephen Marks, the inquiry inspector, recommended its rejection.

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MPs clash on Special Branch

By Richard Evans
Lobby Reporter

The Commons inquiry into the Special Branch ended yesterday as it began, with a bitter party political row and claims that the MPs' final report was a "whitewash".

At a bad-tempered Westminster press conference where members of the home affairs select committee produced its findings, the air was thick with accusations and recriminations. Conservative MPs were said to have deliberately ignored critical evidence and Labour MPs were charged with attempting to blacken thereputation of the Special Branch.

As diclosed in *The Times* last month, the majorutyt report made by the elect committee's seven Conservatives MPs says that the Special Branch does not justify public criticism and performs an essential public service.

But a minority report, drawn up by the Mr David Winnick, Labour MP for Walsall, North, and supported by party colleagues on the committee, expresses serious criticisms and calls for an independent commission of inquiry into the Special Branch.

Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour Party leader, led the criticism of the majority report, describing it as "a complete cop-out", which did not answer any of the questions.

Mr Winnick, chairman of the Tribune group of Labour MPs, said: "The majority report is a whitewash and really could have been written by the Home Office itself".

But launching the report, Sir Edward Gardner, Conservative MP for Fylde and the select committee chairman, strongly denied the inquiry had been abortive.

"This inquiry, whatever may be said about it, is not a whitewash. It was never intended to be a whitewash.

The National Council for Civil Liberties, which gave evidence to the inquiry, said the committee's assurances that the public had nothing to fear from Special Branch activities were meaningless, because major areas of Special Branch work, involving the security services, were excluded from the investigation.

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Thatcher promises autumn vote on Commons TV

By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

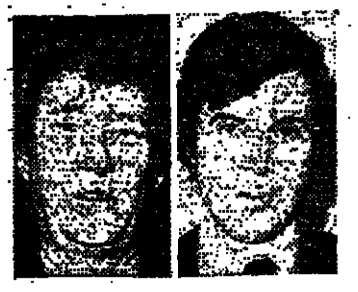
Televising the House of Commons within the next year became a probability last night after the Prime Minister promised MPs a vote on the issue in the autumn.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, once a fierce opponent of allowng cameras into the chamber, is now known to support their introduction and that could prove crucial when the debate, in government time, takes place after the summer recess.

In November 1983, the last time the Commons voted on the issue, MPs decided by 164 votes to 159 to support a Private Member's Bill from Mr Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Great Grimsby and a former television journalist, calling for the televising of the Commons.

The measure failed to become law because the Government would not assist its progress and ministers felt the narrow majority was not a firm expression of the House's will.

Mrs Thatcher was quizzed at Prime Minister's question time by Mr Jonathan Aitken,



TV hopes: Mr Mitchell (left) and Mr Aitken.

Conservative MP for Thanet South and a director of TV-am, who quoted a survey carried in *The Times* yesterday which revealed 76 per cent of the public favour televising the Commons.

Mr Mitchell said last night: "Now that Mrs Thatcher has made it clear she supports televising the Commons I am sure this will open the floodgates and soon become reality.

"The success of TV broadcasts from the Lords has persuaded many MPs who were doubters that cameras in the Commons would be a good thing."

The six-month television experiment in the Lords is due to end in July and it could be the end of the year before peers decide whether they want to continue with cameras in the chamber.

Some Labour peers, believing the Lords will not introduce permanent television independently from the Commons, think it right that the experiment should continue untiol MPs make up their minds.

It could take up to 18 months for MPs to decide whether they want cameras permanently, rather than purely on an experimental basis and so supporters of televised proceedings in the Lords think it would be inappropriate to put the issue into cold storage, pending a final Commons verdict.

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Israelis split on amnesty for militant Jews

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

Israel's fragile national unity Government is badly split over right-wing demands that all Jews imprisoned in Israel for terrorism should be granted an amnesty to balance the release this week of more than 1,000 Arab top-security prisoners.

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Deputy Prime Minister and leader of the powerful Likud block, announced yesterday that he supported the amnesty call and would be raising it in the Cabinet, which is almost equally divided on the issue.

Mr Shamir was backed by a number of Cabinet members, including Mr Ariel Sharon, Minister for Trade and Industry, who said it was inconceivable that "terrible killers can be released while members of the Jewish underground remain behind bars". He said he was determined to provoke a Cabinet crisis on the question.

Extraparliamentary pressure for the release of the Jewish militants increased as wives and mothers of the 18 underground members now on trial began a hunger strike outside the Parliament building.

Leaders of the Labour Party, the other main group in the Government, declared their opposition to any interference in the judicial process to secure the release of Jews charged with violent crimes against Palestinian civilians.

National rejoicing at the return early yesterday of the three Israeli prisoners of war was short lived as the country plunged into a fierce national debate about the high price paid by Israel.

The deal was staunchly defended by Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Labour Defence Minister, who delivered a stern warning to any enemies of Israel trying to capitalize on it.

Mr Rabin said he would propose to the Government and the Israeli legal authorities that if a citizen or a soldier was kidnapped in an effort to negotiate the release of more murderers then all those who released in exchanges should be rearrested.

His warning was directed at more than 700 prisoners who chose to return on Monday to their homes in the occupied territories and Arab zones of Israel. Palestinian sources alleged that his announcement represented a breach of the complex deal negotiated with the help of Austrian mediators.

Mr Rabin defended the negotiations, which have continued intermittently since October 1983. "Sometimes the law-and-order forces of a sovereign state have to deal with gangsters and at the same time fight gangsterism," he stated. "This is equivalent to what we have done."

He acknowledged that Israel had paid heavily but added: "I believe it is my responsibility to bring back home every soldier who is sent to war by this Government, even though the price is high."

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Among ordinary Israelis there was dismay and anger at the identities of the prisoners involved in the deal became know after censorship was lifted.

Jewish settlers and bereaved relatives of victims of the freed men threatened vengeance. Late on Monday night, shots were fired in the occupied town of Hebron as armed settlers attempted to break up an Arab celebration of the releases.

It was reported that settlement groups are secretly compiling lists and photographs of the released men for distribution to Jews throughout the West Bank. Israeli security forces in the occupied areas were put on special alert to deal with any new threat of violence. Although four Israeli soldiers are still missing in action as a result of the Lebanon war, Monday's complex exchange deal is regarded by Red Cross sources as having freed the last known Israeli prisoners still in Arab hands.

● GENEVA: The cost of transporting 394 mainly Palestinian prisoners by air to Geneva on Monday for the exchange was covered by Israel, the International Committee of the Red Cross pointed out yesterday (Alan McGregor writes). Similarily, the Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Libera[illegible] of Palestine arranged to fly the three Israeli prisoners from Damascus to Geneva.

Doctor denies Sellafield 'plutonium food' claims

Claims that doctors and scientists considered giving food contaminated with plutonium to children living near the nuclear reprocessing plant at Sellafield in Cumbria were denied yesterday.

The environmental pressure group Greenpeace told the Commons select committee on the environment last night that the idea had been examined at a Department of Health meeting in October.

But Dr John Terrell, West Cumbria's district medical officer, said somebody at the meeting had simply observed that it could be important if children, who had eaten contaminated shellfish, could be studied. There had never been any suggestion that they should be deliberately fed such food.

Dr Terrell added that the degree of contamination in shellfish was in any case extremely small.

BRITTANY'S BLISS

Château de Guilguiffin, Quimper, South Brittany.

Daily Telegraph

ONE OF THE most successful time-share operations in Great Britain has been that at Court Barton, close to Salcombe, in Devon, although the tireless ex-soldier Michael Groom, whose platoon of staff has helped make it a success, prefers the term "holiday investment".

Owners of weeks there have a stake in the freehold and at the end of the term, originally 25 years, each shareholder has a vote in the future of the resort. Either it will be sold and the assets shared, or it will continue.

Now Groom is taking his expertise to Southern Brittany where, close to the ancient city of Quimper, and not far from the sea, stands a château de plaisance – the Château de Guilguiffin. A similar development to that at Court Barton, with identical corporate structure . . . Meanwhile, back at Court Barton, owners are taking pride in a recent Civic Trust Award.

David Hoppit
Daily Telegraph, Friday, December 28th 1984

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Wide east-west disparities in pay and prosperity show in regional trends

By David Walker, Social Policy Correspondent

From Lincolnshire to Kent, the eastern counties are shown in the latest edition of the government's *Regional Trends* to be buoyant, healthy and prosperous, suggesting that in the 1980s the east-west division may have become as important as the split between north and south.

In East Anglia population is growing faster that anywhere else in the United Kingdom. Crime is low. Ownership of such consumer durables as refrigerators, freezers and dishwashers is high. In the East Midlands, in spite of its large manufacturing base unemployment is well below the UK average; government spending on social security benefits in the region is lower than anywhere in the UK except East Anglia.

The South-east remains a kind of locomotive for the economy of the nation as a whole with 30 per cent of the population producing more than a third of the gross domestic product.

But *Regional Trends*, published today gives an ambiguous answer to whether the inhabitants of the east of England are happier. The suicide rate among men in East Anglia is above average, perhaps due to the depressive effect of the flat fens.

On the economic front *Regional Trends* illustrates how Britain can at at the same time be starkly divided: in the 10 years to 1983 gross domestic product per head in the northern region fell from 91.1 per cent to 89.6 per cent of the national average, yet the regions can remain alike. For example, the average weekly earnings of both men and women show comparatively little variation north and south.

In the North, the region takes in Tyne and Wear, Cumbria, Northumberland, Durham and Cleveland, men were earning £167.5 a week in April 1984. In the North west it was £171.9 while in East Anglia it was £166.9. That could be due to the effects of union bargaining over wages, which tends to take place at the national level.

Divergences in regional prosperity are, however, marked. Of those men unemployed in October last in the South west 20 per cent had been out of a job for more than two years. But in Northern Ireland nearly 37 per cent had been jobless for the same period. One third of unemployed male workers in the West Midlands were counted as long-term unemployed.

The economic fortunes of the West Midlands have worsened significantly in recent years. The region's gdp per head was a decade ago noticeably above the national average; it was the second highest regional gdp per head in 1974. In 1983 it was lower than for all the other English regions and Scotland, standing at 88.1 per cent of the national average.

Of all regions, Wales appears the most strike prone. Between 1979 and 1983 there were 1,144 days lost for every 1,000 Welsh employees. This contrasted with 247 in East Anglia, 417 in Northern Ireland and a UK average of 495.

As well as enjoying relative economic prosperity, the eastern counties also offer enhanced "quality of life".

In the North the civilian working population has fallen by 5 per cent since 1979, but that drop in the number of people available for work has not stopped the North consistently coming top of the British league table for unemployment (Northern Ireland's rates are consistently higher).

The East Midlands has the highest regional proportion of employees in manufacturing, after the West Midlands, but the fact contrasts with the relatively low unemployment in the East Midlands counties of Lincolnshire, Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Northamptonshire.

On the quality of life front there are some fascintating puzzles in the relative health of the regions. In Northern Ireland, where serious crime rates are parodoxically low, the death rate from cancers is markedly less than the UK average;

Health is linked to diet. A connection is often made between the Scot's high rates of death from stroke and heart disease and a strong diet featuring considerably less fruit and vegetables than elsewhere. Oddly, the tables in *Regional Trends* show that Scots shoppers do not get good value for money. Scots eat 2lb 5oz of meat and sausage a week and pay £2.62 for it. The people of the North-west, paying about the same amount, consume 2lb 8oz.

Champion fish eaters are the inhabitants of the counties in the northern region, Yorkshire and Humberside; this area shows a marked regional predilection for cakes and biscuits, too.

Regional Trends is helpful as a guide to the moral differences between the regions. It shows, for example, how the North-west has the highest regional percentage of illegitimate births. The lowest percentage is in Northern Ireland.

Regional Trends 20 (Stationery Office; £17.50).

HOUSING IN PERCENTAGES

Region	Owner Occupier	Council rented	Private rented	Av price of houses 1983 £
North	53	36	12	28,000
Yorks/Humbers	60	29	13	25,200
East Midlands	65	25	11	27,900
East Anglia	64	23	13	28,100
South East	62	25	14	36,700
South West	68	19	13	30,800
West Midlands	62	29	9	28,500
North West	64	27	10	28,500
Wales	65	25	10	31,400
Scotland	38	53	9	30,900
Northern Ireland	57	35	8	25,200
United Kingdom	60	29	11	30,800

WHO GETS SOCIAL SECURITY

Region	Benefits £ per head
North	578.3
Yorks/Humbers	531.5
E Mids	482.8
E Anglia	449.0
S East	493.2
S West	515.9
W Mids	506.2
N West	569.5
Wales	579.6
Scotland	551.4
N Ireland	583.4
UK	522.3

Signing on: Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, and Dr David Owen, of the SDP, joining forces at the Commons yesterday to support a declaration calling for a fair deal for youth on housing and jobs.

Support for earnings related pensions

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

A poll on the public's attitudes towards the welfare state has found clear support for the state earnings-related pension scheme (Serps), for women rather than men to be paid benefits aimed at children, and for national insurance benefits to be paid as of right rather than means-tested.

The poll, commissioned by the two biggest Civil Service unions and published yesterday, led to the unions, whose members will have to implement any changes to social security, to call on Mrs Margaret Thatcher to put the Government plans to the electorate at the next general election.

Mr Alistair Graham, general secretary of the Civil and Public Services Association and Mr Gerry Gillman, general secretary of the Society of Civil and Public Servants, said the poll showed that the Government's plans conflicted with the majority views of the British people. The union leaders said that to press ahead with fundamental changes, hich would undermine the principles and nature of the welfare state, without a mandate from the British people, would be a serious erosion of the principles of parliamentary democracy.

The poll found that abolition of Serps is opposed by nearly two to one, with only 29 per cent in favour of its replacement by private provision. Among Conservative supporters 41 per cent approved of abolition with 44 per cent against.

● A MORI poll published yesterday by the Royal College of Nursing found that the public believed the Government should provide the National Health Service with extra funds to give nurses a pay increase above the Government's 3 per cent limit for publis sector pay.

With the review body on nurses' pay reported to have recommended an increase of about 8 per cent, the poll showed two-thirds of those questioned being opposed to the extra funds coming from the existing NHS budget. Three-quarters said the funds should be taken from other areas of government spending.

Minister acted unlawfully

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, acted unlawfully in changing housing benefit regulations without proper consultation, the High Court ruled yesterday

The changes, rushed through last December, were aimed at stopping claims that could have added up to £190 million to the housing benefit bill.

The Association of Metropolitan Authorities, which brought the action, said yesterday that it was given only six days to consult on one change and five days and incomplete details on the other.

Mr Justice Webster said Mr Fowler had failed in his duty to consult properly, but that the regulations would remain in force. He granted the AMA 80 per cent of its costs, estimated at between £40,000 and £45,000.

The judge said he was not laying down guidelines for future consultation, but in the present case the matter had not been of such urgency that the association should not have been given time to consult its members and give a considered opinion which might have been useful to Mr Fowler.

£500 fine paid by print union

The National Graphical Association is expected to disclose at the High Court in Birmingham today that it has paid a £500 fine for contempt of court.

It paid the fine on May 14 after its ban on material from Precision Colour Printing, of which the parent company, the Express & Star at Wolverhampton, is in dispute with the NGA over new technology.

Thatcher backs take-overs at pits

By Anthony Bevins
Political Correspondent

The Prime Minister said yesterday that the Government would welcome a takeover of individual pits by miners' co-operatives.

Mrs Thatcher told the Commons that both she and Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, recognized that some miners wanted a more direct stake in their collieries, and she added: "This is a development that we in principle would welcome."

She was responding to a question by Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson, Conservative MP for New Forest, about a miners' bid to take over the loss-making Emley Moor colliery near Barnsley, which is to close at the end of the year.

● The executive of the pit deputies' union Nacods is expected to meet tomorrow in Doncaster to review the first week of an overtime ban over pit closures and there is speculation that talks with the National Coal Board might ensue (Paul Routledge writes).

The board was last night continuing to insist that negotiations could not restart unless the deputies call off or suspend the ban.

● Miners' leaders walked out of a pit review meeting yestersay before coal board official could confirm that their colliery is to close. The board is sending letters to unions stating there is no justification to keep open Bates colliery at Blyth, Northumberland.

EEC 'failed to protect Briton'

The European Commission in Brussels broke a code of professional secrecy when it disclosed the identity of a Briton whose evidence ended the price-fixing practices of Hoffman-La Roche, the pharmaceuticals company, Mr David Vaughan, QC, told the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg, yesterday.

The name of Mr Stanley Adams, of Thames Ditton, Surrey, came out during inquiries into his allegations made in 1973, and he was jailed under Swiss laws controlling commercial information.

Mr Adams, aged 57, a former manager at Hoffman-La Roche headquarters in Basle, Switzerland, is suing the Commission for £500,000 damages. He claims the Commission failed to protect him by showing documents to Roche, which enabled the company to identify him, and to invoke Swiss secrecy laws.

Mr Vaughan asked the court to reject a Commission submission that no vow of confidentiality was ever given to Mr Adams, when it was clear they were bound by an obligation "without expiry of time".

The Commissin claims that whatever the facts, Mr Adams's legal action is outside a five-year time limit.

A verdict is expected in October.

Four fire survivors sought by police

By Peter Davenport

Detectives in Bradford are trying to trace four spectators who survived the fire in the main stand at Valley Parade football ground.

The four were occupying seats P143 to P146 in G block. The police search follows an elaborate reconstruction in which 69 survivors were filmed occupying chairs set out to resemble the seating arrangements in the main stand.

After the reconstruction police have almost certainly ruled out a smoke bomb as the cause of the blaze.

Det Supt Kevin Cooper, who is leading the investigation, said yesterday: "While the operation was not totally conclusive it does considerably weaken the theory that a missile was thrown in G block."

● Officials of the Bradford Disaster Appeal said yesterday that donations had now reached £1,250,000, including £10,000 from the US Ambassador to Britain.

● Police are preparing a report for the Director of Public Prosecutions after alleged corruption by turnstile operators at Saturday's FA Cup Final at Wembely Stadium. Scotland Yard confirmed yesterday.

Hurd upset over police rivalry

A controversy between the Royal Ulster Constabulary and the Garda developed yesterday in the wake of the Provisional IRA bomb attack in which Co Down which killed four police officers (Richard Ford writes).

Mr Douglas Hurd, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, is clearly embarrassed at the personal hostility between the two chiefs, Sir John Hermon of the RUC an Commissioner Lawrence Wren of the Garda, who have not met for more than two years.

He said it should be a "matter of course" that the two men, facing similar problems, met Mr Hurd's admission that there was room for improvement in security on the border to make it more methodical

Left lose battle for safe seat

Left-wingers have lost the nomination battle for Labour's safest Scottish seat, Glasgow, Provan. Mr James Wray, a Strathclyde councillor, beat Mr James Cameron, a social worker and the far left candidate, by one vote. The sitting MP, Mr Hugh Brown, is to retire at the next election.

Steel plant union seeks TUC help

Union leaders at British Steels' Ravenscraig works, near Motherwell, Strathclyde, asked the Scottish TUC yesterday to back their campaign for £90 million investment to make the plant the most technically advanced steelworks in Europe.

US accident shaped anti-nuclear views

By Pat Healy

A nuclear accident precipitated the commitment to the anti-nuclear movement of Ms Meg Beresford, who is expected to be confirmed as the next general secretary of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament when its national executive meets on June 1.

Ms Beresford was visiting the United States in 1979 when the nuclear power station at Three Mile Island had a leak, and residents were moved away until the area was declared safe.

Ms Beresford returned to Britain shocked by the incident, abandoned the PhD thesis on the development of the legal profession in eighteenth century New York which whe had been working on at Oxford university, and threw herself full-time into the anti-nuclear movement.

She became secretary of the Southern region of CND in 1980 and helped to form Campaign Atom, a vigorous local CND group in Oxford.

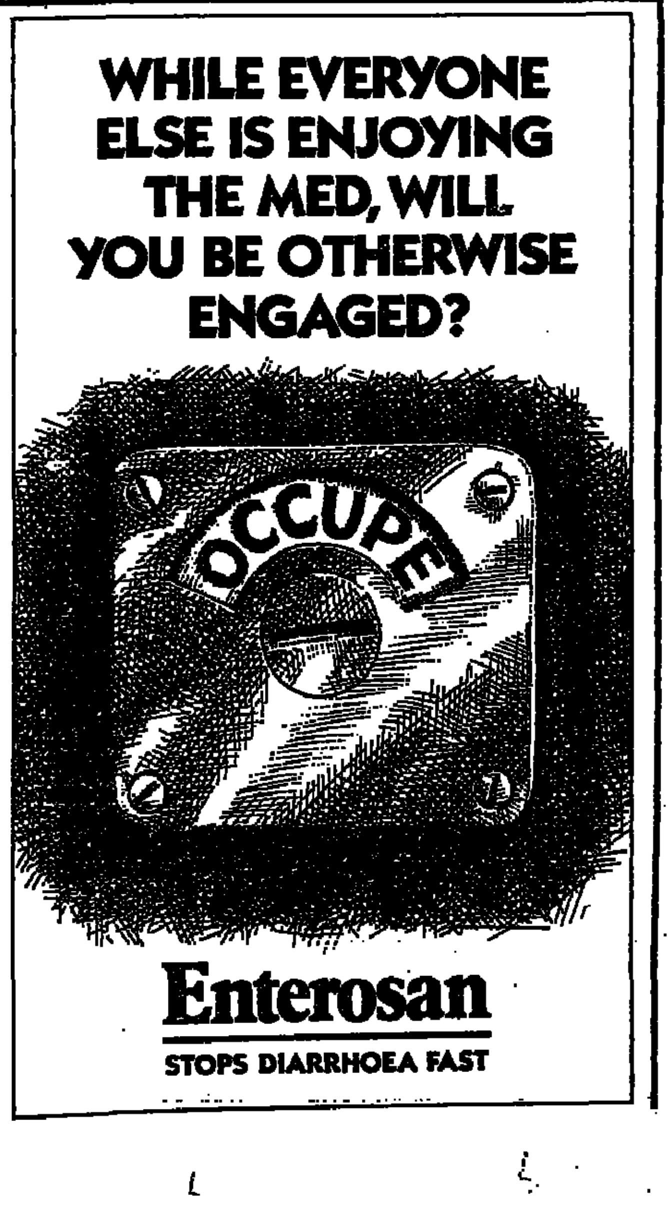
In the following year she became organizing secretary of European Nuclear Disarmament (Emd), an new organization which has placed more emphasis on the need to forge links between Eastern and Western anti-nuclear groups than has CND, although the latter is committed to the dissolution of the Warsaw Pact and Nato.

Ms Beresford's work for End has led to speculation that CND will undergo a policy shift when she becomes general secretary. That is denied by CND, who say that the incoming general secretary will be an administrator concerned with the day-to-day work of the organization, and with staff welfare in particular.

That is a role to which Ms Beresford seems well suited. She was first elected a vice-chair of CND in 1983 and has interpreted her role as being an internal one.

Like all other staff at CND, Ms Beresford will be paid the flat rate salary of £7,932.

Her predecessor, Mgr Bruce Kent, is to continue in his public role as an honorary vice-president, and will stand for election next year as a vice-chair of CND.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Foster mother tells of 'desperation'

By Tony Samstag

Mrs Gabrielle Probert, who fostered Jasmine Bedford for eight months, wept repeatedly yesterday as she spoke of the day the child and her younger sister, Louise, were taken away to live with their parents.

On the day the children were taken, she told the independent inquiry at Brent Town Hall while she was in Brent council care, of the night. "I kept looking at them. Then I phoned Jeremy Burns (the adoption officer). I was begging on the phone, 'Please, they're coming. Please stop them.' I felt so desperate."

As the children left Mrs Probert wept in her sitting room and was told by Mrs Diane Dietman, senior social worker for the area, "Don't be silly, they'll be alright."

The Proberts "would have done anything to help them", including visiting the Beckford family as friends, to help them cope with the children, Mrs Probert, aged 46, of Hillingdon, west London, told the inquiry.

Maurice Beckford, the child's stepfather, and Beverley Lorrington, both aged 25, were jailed last month in connection with the death of the child, aged four, while in the care of Brent

Mrs Probert said that during their last week together, she played games with the children to accustom them to the idea of going home. After they had gone, she and her husband, Peter, had often driven to the Beckfords' home in Kensal Rise, north London, hoping to catch a glimpse of the children.

Jasmine Beckford was just one of 240 child abuse cases on the books of Brent social services in the early 1980s.

The hearing continues today.

Education Green Paper

University links with industry urged

By Lucy Hodges
Education Correspondent

Universities are told to encourage the entrepreneurial spirit and to beware off "anti-business snobbery", in a Green Paper on higher education, published yesterday.

Standards must be raised and money better spent, and universities must learn to respond quickly to the manpower needs of industry, according to the 42-page document, which aims to present government thinking for the next decade.

But these things will have to be done with less money – a real cut of 2 per cent a year – and with the prospect that "some institutions of higher education will need to be closed or merged at some point during the next 10 years in line with the declining number of 18-year-olds.

The paper says that research should be concentrated in strong departments. "Greater concentration and selectivity may mean that some departments or even whole universities will lose research funding from the University Grants Committee."

The paper, which has taken two years to produce, contains no recommendations as such and is broadly a restatement of government policy on higher education, as executed by the UGC. It does not provide the policy framework within which universities can plan for the future which was recommended by the Jarrett report last month.

Student unions and freedom of speech on campuses are issues close to the heart of Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education.

The Green Paper says: "Many unions still give grounds for concern because their policies are determined by a minute proportion of the union membership.

"Only the president of a union used to be granted leave from his studies for his year of office, but this privilege is now often more widely extended so that too much influence can be exercised by a smaller number of students enjoying sabbatical leave – in some instances for several years."

Taxpayers' money should not be used to fund unions which refuse a platform to speakers whose views are objectionable to some students or which permit violence or the threat of violence.

"Where these things happen they signal the withering away of the university as part of a free society in which all views may find free expression within the law."

The Green Paper says there will be consultations about how student unions can be made more representative and whether, if that cannot be achieved, the automatic membership of all students can still be justified. The Government is already looking at limiting the funding of student unions to spending on a permitted range of welfare, social and sports activities.

The Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals and the Committee of Directors of Polytechnics are urged to produce guidelines on free speech.

The Government is concerned that Britain's competitors are producing more scientists, engineers, technologists and technicians than the United Kingdom.

The result is likely to be a further fall in our relative standard of living and our ability to sustain our cultural heritage, according to the Green Paper. The future health of higher education depends on its success in generating the manpower the country needs.

Employers should show that they are prepared to recruit scientists, engineers and technologists and give them good pay, promotion and status.

The government is providing £43 million over three years for extra student places on technological and vocational courses. "The proportion of arts places in higher education as a whole can be expected to shrink."

The Government says it accepts that higher education should be available to anyone who can benefit from it, but qualifies this by saying that the benefit must justify the cost to the taxpayer, and the test of ability to benefit must be applied "as stringently to those with formal qualifications as those without."

The Green Paper says the 18-year-old population is expected to fall by 33 per cent after 1990, but demand for university and polytechnic places will fall by only 14 per cent because of the increasing numbers of women and part-time students. Last year there were 565,000 students. According to two variant projections that number would fall by 87,000 or 74,000 between 1990 and 1997.

Those estimates, run counter to those prepared by the Committee of the Vice Chancellors and Principals, the Royal Society and the Association of University Teachers.

The Government is looking at the way students are financed, including the possibility of loans, to see if it can find a cheaper method. "It can be argued that a greater financial engagement on the part of students would cause them to take greater care over their choice of study."

The Government is prepared to look at the idea of a two-year honours degree. It will accept a limited experiment involving a small number of universities and polytechnics to test the view that a "two-year degree for the most able would become a prestigious award."

Quality can be judged by comparing the success of students in obtaining jobs, their salaries and their reported performance in employment, the Green Paper says. Universities are not subject to external scrutiny of their procedure for maintaining academic standards.

"If changes can be contemplated which might bring public sector colleges nearer to the situation of the universities, it may be asked whether arrangements in the university sector should be more comparable to those in the public sector."

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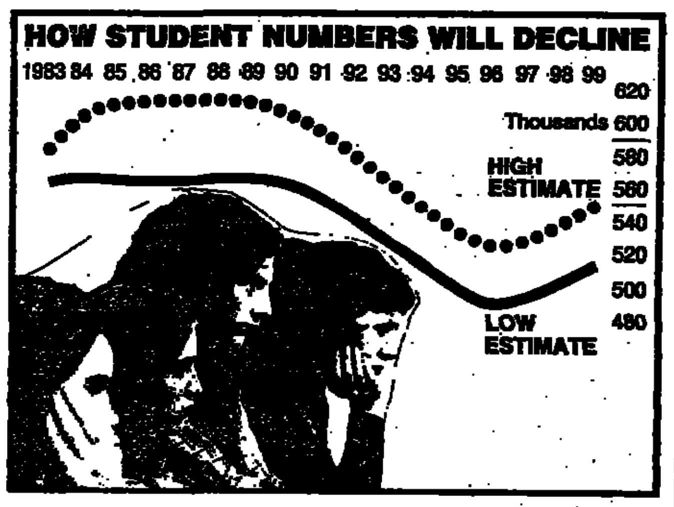

1905 teddy bear fetches highest auction price

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

Sotheby's set a new auction price record for a teddy bear yesterday when a Steiff blond teddy of around 1905 was sold for £2,090 (estimate £300-£500). It has a black-stitched pointed snout, black button eyes, a back hump, swivel joints and a white dress. Margarete Steiff's felt toy company was founded in 1880 but began to make teddies only in 1903. This one was one of their earliest. Teddy bears are said to have been invented in America in 1902.

Sotheby's sale of dolls and bears yesterday morning made a total of £255,624 with 8 per cent unsold. The main attraction was a George II English wooden doll of around 1740, in its original green saque dress, which sold for £15,400 (unpublished estimate £12,000-£18,000) to Mme Vierney, a Paris collector. The doll's first owner, Elizabeth Tichborne, who was born in 1736, and it was sold with a sampler stitched by her. It was sent for sale by Mrs Mary Hillier, a keen doll collector.

The sale also contained a toy travelling coach of about 1770, about 1ft and more than 3ft long with a wooden doll inside, which sold for £8,000 (estimate £10,000), also to Mme Vierney.

Sotheby's sale of British and Irish ceramics included a collection of early nineteenth century Worcester porcelains from the Flight Barr and Barr factory, all in good condition, which achieved prices well beyond expectations.

A pair of apple green urns painted with lakeland scenes with gilt borders sold for £6,820 (estimate £3,000-£5,000).

Correction

Mr Robert Jackson, MP for Wantage, was incorrectly recorded as having voted against the Government at the end of Monday night's debate on shopping hours. He supported the Government.

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'General' of a football hooligan army jailed for five years

Leslie Muranyi, the "General" of an organized "army" of Cambridge football hooligans, was jailed for five years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday after he admitted riot.

Another man was jailed for four years and 23 others were sentenced to prison or youth custody terms ranging from five to 15 months. The charges arose out of a planned attack on visiting Chelsea supporters before a Second Division match with Cambridge United on February 11 last year.

Judge Hilliard warned the 25 before sentencing: "Each of you must lose his liberty.

"The damage to your lives is the price that must be paid to teach football fans up and down this country that football violence means loss of liberty – however young, however good, however sad, however hard the effects on individual defendants may be.

"The public is sick and tired of this sort of behaviour, and the public looks to the courts for protection."

The attacks by "Muranyi's army" left the streets around Cambridge's Abbey stadium looking like a battlefield, Mr David Stokes, for the prosecution said. Led by Muranyi, a window cleaner, aged 25, of Long Reach Road, Cambridge, the mob rampaged through the city

Steven Robson, aged 24, of Cherry Hinton Road, Cambridge, was jailed for four years after he admitted wounding Mr David Ayling, aged 20, a Chelsea supporter, of Hatch Road Brentwood, Essex. He also admitted affray.

Mr Ayling, a law-abiding Chelsea supporter for 11 years, was slashed in the throat with a broken milk bottle He lost a litre of blood but survived because Police Constable Paul Hubbard, and 36, saw him reeling blood-soaked in the traffic and ran to hold his wound together.

Another officer, Police Constable Mark Cross, aged 30, was drop-kicked in the back by a Cambridge hooligan as he stood, truncheon raised, to ward off 30 rampaging youths from an unconscious Chelsea supporter, Mr Stokes said. Constable Cross was off work for 10 weeks and suffered permanent damage to his vertebrae.

Both officers were commended by the judge.

Before the game 80 of Muranyi's "army" gathered at the City Arms public house in Sturton Street. Look-outs posing as helpful locals were posted in surrounding streets to direct small groups of Chelsea supporters to the public house.

As they approached, reassured by the sight of youths drinking quietly outside, 30 yelling Cambridge fans hurtled out of the doors. The "innocent" drinkers closed in behind, Mr Stokes said, and the Chelsea supporters were set on with pool cues and bottles. More Chelsea fans were trapped in "pincer" movements as up to 150 Cambridge supporters took part in running street fights.

Passers-by ran for cover, cars were vandalized and one Chelsea supporter ran through the thorns of a rose hedge in his panic. Eventually the hooligans were rounded up by police with dogs. More than 40 people were taken to hospital.

The following, also from Cambridge, were sentenced after pleading guilty or being convicted of affray: John Munnelly, 10 months prison); Mark Gallagher (13 months youth custody); Dean Quinn (nine months youth custody); Mark Anderson (nine months prison); Andrew Pope (11 months youths custody); Andrew Vanderahe (five months prison); Shane Carter (five months youth custody).

James Martin (eight months youth custody); Linnie Jones (eight months prison); Gary Ashby (six months jail); Michael Cafferkey (nine months youth custody).

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The thugs in designer clothes

The "army" of football hooligans launched a campaign which for more than a year made their home ground a place where no fan could feel safe.

Organized on military lines and wearing a "uniform" of expensive designer-label sweaters, the "new breed" of football louts staged well planned attacks on rival fans.

The members of the gang were mature men, mostly in their mid 20s. Some were married with mortgages and children, and soccer violence was their Saturday afternoon entertainment.

Known as the "Cambridge casuals", Muranyi's "army" all wore the same kind of expensive casual clothes – Pringle label sweaters, jeans, and Nike training shoes – so they could easily identify their comrades during disorders. Their smart appearance gave them a respectable air.

Last season, Cambridge United, seemed doomed to relegation and the hooligan element among their followers were out for bloodshed.

Their targets were not the hardened Chelsea thugs, known as the "Shed bootboys".

Instead the Cambridge thugs were looking for Chelsea supporters who had made their own way to the match, usually travelling in small groups.

Lookouts were posted in the vicinity of the City Arms pub. Their job was to seek out such Chelsea fans and to try and direct them straight to the pub from where the rest of the gang would charge out and attack them.

Plans were made to catch fleeing fans in a military style "pincer movement" which would stop them escaping.

After the violence more than 40 people were taken to hospital.

The four detectives heading the police team, led by Det Inspector Robert Atkinson, were determined to make sure that never again should such disgraceful scenes be witnessed at a Cambridge United match.

The City Arms changed hands since it was used as a base for the hooligans' planning sessions.

PC Hubbard (left) and PC Cross

Leslie Muranyi (left) – and Steven Robson

Francis Bacon with his study of a male nude (1979) yesterday, part of a retrospective exhibition of his work which opens at the Tate Gallery today (Photograph: Dod Miller).

Warning on butane cylinder dangers

By Thomson Prentice

Scientists and doctors have issued new warnings about the danger of explosions from camping gas stoves and butane refill cylinders.

They are incresingly concerned about serious burn injuries, some of which have been fatal.

The Department of Trade has begun a detailed research study into the causes of these and similar accidents

Last year at least three prople died from burns after camping gas stove explosions.

They included a woman aged 24 whose tent was engulfed by flames at the Stonehenge festival and two youths who received fatal injuries in a caravan fire.

"The number of accidents occurring suggest that these stoves must be regarded as intrinsically very hazardous," researchers at the Wessex Regional Burns Unit and the Oddstock hospital, Salisbury say in a study of 31 patients who were victims of such accidents.

Chemists to join watch on drugs' ill effects

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

A new system for monitoring for adverse reactions of drugs prescribed by a doctor or bought over the counter has been drawn up by the Pharmaceutical Society.

The scheme, called the pink card project, would operate through the pharmacists who make up the bulk of National Health Service prescriptions through local chemist shops and community pharmacies.

The pink card would be an additional safety net to the voluntary yellow card reporting system, whereby hospital and family doctors are encouraged to send details of adverse reactions in patients to the Committee on Safety of Medicines.

Mr Raymond Dickinson, deputy-secretary of the society, says in the organization's journal that the society is aware that the Committee of Safety of Medicines does want another profession completing and submitting yellow cards.

But there are some unusual features of the work of pharmacists which could be harnessed to improve the detection of adverse drug reactions, he suggests. But the society is disturbed that a proposal for a trial of the pink card project made to the committee two years ago has produced no response.

Pharmacists usually see patients more frequently than the general practitioner.

The pink card reports would be sent to the society and analysed on a weekly basis by scientific staff. The committee would be informed when there had been three reports of a reaction or of anything that resembled a potentially severe reaction.

The department of Health and Social Security said last night that the pink card proposals were being considered by a working party under Professor David Grahame-Smith.

Director 'was paid £78,000 by Libyans'

Libya paid a British businessman, Anthony Gill, $100,000 (£78,000) in the months leading up to his arrest in Egypt in connection with an alleged plot to assassinate a former Libyan prime minister, the police told Horseferry Road Court, London, yesterday.

Mr Stephen Harvey, for Mr Gill, told the court that the payment was to cover business expenses and "upfront" money.

But in spite of police fears that Mr Gill would abscond and that he might be in danger of Libyan retribution "he was freed on £100,000 bail on a charge of helping a relative of Colonel Gadaffi flee Britain.

Mr Gill, 49, a company director of Great Tey, Colchester, Essex, is accused of conspiring with another businessman, Godfrey Shiner, to prevert the course of justice by assissting Muhammad Shebli to evade a drugs trial.

Mr McInstosh alleged that Mr Gill was involved in arrangements to slip Shebli out of the country without a passport and that he flew him to Libya in a private aircraft six days before the Libyan was due to stand trial

Mr Gill was granted bail with sureties totalling £60,000 and ordered to deposit £40,000 cash security into the court.

Sex-bias scientist wins compensation

A complaint by Dr Yvonne Hawkins, a government scientist, of sexual discrimination against the Ministry of Defence and Vickers Shipbuilding was settled out of court yesterday, with the ministry agreeing to pay an undisclosed sum in compensation for her embarrassment.

Dr Hawkins, aged 33, claimed she was prevented from taking part in sonar testing on a new nuclear submarine because she was a woman and there was no accommodation for her on board.

She told an industrial tribunal in Bristol that the ministry and Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineering, of Barrow-in-Furness, that their decision meant she was unable to do her work properly.

The ministry accepted that Dr Hawkins was placed in an embarrassing situation "as a result of a misunderstanding", and said it would provide measures to prevent such a thing happening again.

Last night the Equal Opportunities Commission said it was particularly pleased with the outcome.

Dr Hawkins, of Portland, Dorset, who works at the Ministry's Admiralty Research Establishment at Portland, said she was "satisfied"

£2m campaign on heroin dangers

By George Hill

A £2 million media campaign against heroin addiction, which lays more emphasis on the risk of getting a spotty face than the danger of death was launched by the Government yesterday.

Mr David Mellor, Under Secretary of State at the Home Office, who chairs the inter-departmental ministerial group on drug abuse, said "The aim is not to strike the attitudes that those wholly outside the drug culture might like, but to find out what messages strike a chord with those at risk."

The campaign, designed by the Yellowhammer advertising agency is aimed at teenagers who have not tried heroin but may be tempted to do so. It includes press advertisements and two 40-second television commercials, built around slogans such as "Skin care by heroin", "Heroin screws you up", and "Everybody thinks they can control heroin until it starts to control them".

The commercials were first transmitted on ITV last night, and the advertisements will appear from today onwards in magazines ranging from *Honey* and *Nineteen* to *The Tatler*.

Mr John Patten, Under Secretary of State at the Department of Health and Social Security, said that if the campaign had an impact it might be widened to include specific warnings on cocaine. It is to run at least to the end of the year, and its effects will be closely monitored with surveys on young people and parents.

Mr Mellor said: "Research showed that a precisely targeted campaign on one drug was far and away the most effective. That's not to say we haven't got major worries about cocaine, and we want to try to ensure that it doesn't take off in this country as it appears to have done in the US. But heroin has already taken off here."

Ministers emphasized that the campaign presented a small part of the government's programme against drugs, which involves police and customs as well as health services. The DHSS alone is spending £11.5 million a year on the problem, more than ever before.

The campaign is to be backed by an increase in classroom warnings, details of which will be released next week.

Lifeboats saved 1,319 last year

The lives of 1,319 people were saved last year by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, according to its annual report published yesterday.

However, the Duke of Atholl, the institution's chairman, said yesterday that it needed 60 new lifeboats during the next 10 years at a cost of about £30 million.

Boy drowned

Wayne Keeton, the Nottingham schoolboy whose body was found in a river near his home last month, died from drowning, an inquest at Nottingham was told yesterday before being adjourned.

Coroner to quit

Dr Mary McHugh, the Croydon coroner who was recently involved in a dispute about kidney transplants, will retire on September 1. She will be 70.

Meat retreat

Almost three million Britons are vegetarians or have cut red meat from their diet, according to a Gallop poll for the Realeat Company, which yesterday introduced the first vegetarian sausage.

Cowdrey ban

Christopher Cowdrey aged 27, the England cricketer, was banned from driving for a year and fined £150 at Ramsgate Magistrates' Court, Kent, yesterday, after he admitted driving with excess alcohol last September.

Sainsbury's job expansion

By Cliff Feltham

The supermarket chain J Sainsbury announced yesterday an increase in pre-tax profits for last year from £130 million to £156.4 million, and expects to open another 15 food stores and five Homebase DIY outlets creating 5,000 new jobs.

Last year the numbers employed by Sainsbury increased by more than 5,600 to a total of 62,000. The increase in profits has meant a windfall for the 30,000 staff involved in its profit-sharing scheme. The group is to distribute £12.1 million, about £500 in cash or shares for an employee

Sainsbury's yesterday welcomed the prospect of Sunday opening.

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Approval for Scots drink laws

From Ronald Faux, Edinburgh

Scotland's relaxed licensing laws have won approval in general and among women in particular, according to a survey on drinking and attitudes to licensing in Scotland, published yesterday.

The findings of the survey, by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys for the Scottish Home and Health Department, are expected to add to the pressure of the Scottish pattern to be applied in England and Wales.

The Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 implemented the main recommendations of the Clayson report, which said that licensing laws should be relaxed

Most Scottish public houses were allowed to open from 11am to 11pm with late licences awarded at the discretion of the court.

The survey was attacked by the Scottish Council on Alcoholism. Mr Douglas Allsop, executive director, said it would be wrong to base a change in the law on what was no more than an opinion poll.

"Because people like the changes, that is no criteria for saying they have achieved what they set out to achieve, to change Scotland's attitude to drinking.

The figures for drunkenness might have fallen, but they had also fallen in England, probably because of the recession.

In Scotland there was still double the relative number of alcohol-related deaths, drunken driving offences had increased, and admission to psychiatric hospitals in Scotlad was still double the relative number in England.

The survey showed that the increase in alcohol consumption in Scotland between 1976 and 1984 was attributed almost entirely to women. Their consumption rose by almost a third.

Overall, 73 per cent agreed that the present laws were an improvement, 15 per cent disagreed with them, and 12 per cent had no opinion.

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Higher education must be used to improve economy

GREEN PAPER

It was vital for higher education to contribute more effectively to the improvement of the performance of the economy, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said in the Commons when making a statement on the Green Paper, *The Development of Higher Education into the 1990s*.

Unless the country's economic performance improved, he said, it would be even less able than now to afford many of the things it valued most, including education for pleasure and general culture and the financing of scholarship and research as an end in itself.

The Green Paper therefore emphasized the need for higher education to become more responsive to changing industrial and commercial circumstances and the importance of close links between it and business, the professions and the public services.

The Government wanted to ensure that the available resources for research were used to the greatest possible advantage which required more selectivity and planning. The University Grants Committee was developing and promoting new selective allocation and planning arrangements.

The Jarratt report had recommended a review of the role, structure and staffing of the UGC and the Government had accepted this recommendation. He would announce the terms of reference and the form of the review as soon as possible.

Mr Giles Radice, chief Opposition spokesman on education, said the Green Paper was a miserable flop, containing no new ideas and totally lacking in vision. Above all, it was irresponsibly evasive about resources.

He went on: The Secretary of State has left the dirty work to the UGC which revealed that as a consequence of the Government's plans, universities can expect a 2 per cent real cut in their income in each of the next three years, a loss of revenue equivalent to closing down a medium size university like Southampton, Durham or Exeter every year for the next three years.

The truth is that the Government's higher education policy totally fails to meet our national needs. It will not provide wider educational opportunities or the highly skilled graduates we require and it fails to meet industry's research requirements. It is a recipe for national decline.

We in the Labour Party reject his defeatist approach and will campaign for the vigorous, dynamic and innovative higher education system we need.

Sir Keith Joseph: He accuses me of being evasive about resources. The Labour Party seems never to need to be so because it always proposes to spend more. Will he spend more on universities than the Government is proposing?

Mr David Madel (South West Bedfordshire, C): When the Government's commitment to raising standards in the classroom has been achieved will Sir Keith confirm that the numbers of those seeking entry into higher education increase? Will he confirm that the Government will be perfectly happy to see polytechnics take in more people?

Sir Keith Joseph: The Government hopes its aim to raise standards in classrooms will lead to larger proportions of school leavers being qualified to go to higher education if they so wish and if they have the maturity and motivation.

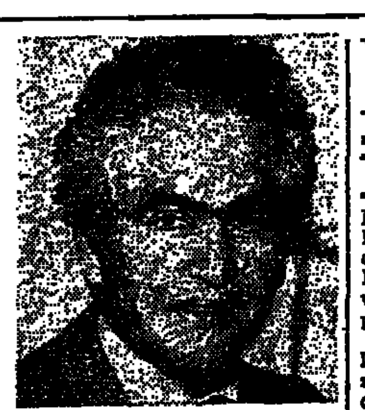
We will be happy to expand the numbers in public sector higher education providing it can be done without diminution of standards within current costs.

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, OUP): Can he not be persuaded to recognise that it is barbarism to attempt to evaluate the content of higher education in terms of economic performance or to set a value upon the consequences of higher education in terms of monetary cost benefit analysis?

Sir Keith Joseph: We live in a time when for better of worse higher education is paid for out of public funds, when more and more research is very expensive and when business has not been as profitable as it should be.

For all these reasons it is necessary if this country's economy is to prosper in a highly competitive and increasingly technological world for science to be supported to a large extent out of public funds.

Mr Robert Rhodes James (Cambridge, C) said the general theme of the document was one of contraction. Was Sir Keith Joseph going to ask those like him, who believed in higher and further education, to accept further contraction? They could not accept such a policy.



Radice: A miserable flop lacking in vision

Sir Keith Joseph said that while higher education was so largely dependent on public funds there had to be some link between the prosperity of the economy and the resources available.

As the economy was fighting to regain competitiveness in an increasingly tough world, this relationship was unavoidable.

Dr John Marek (Wrexham, Lab) said the statement would do nothing to dispel the gloom in the higher education sector. Salary levels were being eroded and there was a general lack of motivation and morale which showed itself in the teaching and in the quality of research. There should be a system of quinquennial planning and a guarantee of no more cuts.

Sir Keith Joseph said that in the days of quinquennial evaluations no government has been able to fulfil the expectations created. It was not honourable to promise more than could be achieved in the way of stability.

Mr Andrew Bennett (Denton and Reddish, Lab) an Opposition spokesman on education, said the Green Paper was an admission of despair and a body blow to economcic prosperity.

PM wants 3% inflation

THE ECONOMY

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, declared during Commons questioning by Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Oppostition, that she wanted inflation lower still – at 3 per cent and below.

Policies advocated by the Labour leader would take inflation right up, she said in answer to his repeated demands for a date on which the target of 3 per cent would be reached and his suggestion that she had "conned" the country on inflation.

Pointing out that the rate of inflation was now 6.9 per cent Mr Kinnock said: Does she still think it is going to go down to her promised target of 3 per cent?

Mrs Thatcher: The inflation rate is 6.9 per cent, which is below the lowest the last Labour Government ever managed to achieve.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has already indicated we expect it to be back to just ovr 5 per ent at the end of the year and the continue its further route downwards.

Mr Kinnock: Does she still think it is going to reach her promised target of 3 per cent and if so when is this going to occur?

What changes in policy is she going to bring about in order to try to promote that, or is she really going to bring about in order to try to pormote that, or is she really once again trying to con the country on inflation as she tried to do on unemployment?

Mrs Thatcher: The Chancellor has already said that it is expected to reach around five per cent to the end of the year and lower still in 1986. Yes, I do want it lower still – 3 per cent and below.

Mr Kinnock: When is it going to reach 3 per cent or is she copping out of this one again?

Mrs Thatcher: He is talking his customary nonsense. We shall have a target on getting inflation down. His policy would take inflation up to exceed the 27 per cent of the last Labour Government.

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, commented: Bearing in mind the rise in inflation and the steady rise in unemployment, what needs changing is not her voice but her policies.

Mrs Thatcher: Perhaps Mr Steel will note that the Labour Government he supported through thick and thin and whose existence he prolonged, never reached a rate of inflation as low as 6.9 per cent.

Mr Frank Haynes (Ashfield, Lab): Inflation is rocketing to 6.9 per cent. She and her Chancellor of the Exchequer are telling the workers of this nation that their earnings are too high, but makes no mention at all about these directors in high places that get thousands of thousands of increases each year and never says a word about that. What about that, then? (Laughter).

Mrs Thatcher: I am delighted that the Opposition appears to have become converted to policies which require lower inflation and therefore has totally and utterly rejected all reflationary policies or artificial increases in demand or printing – welcome to the views taken by these benches (Conservative cheers).

Employers and unions invited to discuss severance terms

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The Government's mind was not closed on compensation terms for council staff made redundant as a result of abolition of the GLC and the metropolitan counties but it was for the unions and employers to come to the negotiating table the Earl of Gowrie, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Arts, said during the ninth day of the committee stage of the Local Government Bill in the House of Lords.

We have repeatedly invited the unions and employers to discuss our proposals without prejudice to their opposition to abolition itself (he said), and I very much regret that most have not taken up this invitation and the opportunites for discussion are diminishing. The Government hopes they will reconsider their attitude, our door remains open.

An amendment proposed by Lord Winstanley (L) providing compensation broadly comparable to that available prior to March 2 1984, was withdrawn and a further amendment proposed by Lord Dean of Beswick (Lab) making the date for comparability the day on which the Act was passed, was rejected by 178 to 120 Government majority, 58.

Lord Winstanley (L), moving his amendment, said it sought greater protection for staff than was given explicitly in the Bill.

Before March 2 last year a number of authorities had introduced enhanced schemes of compensation for staff made redundant in anticipation of abolition. On that date the Secretary of State had announced that no such further schemes would be permitted.

If the levels agreed before March 2 1984 are accepted now as reasonable (he said), and presumably the Government does accept that as they are allowed in the Bill, then those arrived at subsequently on less favourable terms are unreasonable. Some effort ought to be made to equalize things.

The amendment would encourage staff to stay with their authorities until abolition to ensure the maintenance of services. That was a serious problem, because loss of staff was already affecting some authorities. That trend had to be halted.

Lord Dean of Beswick, for the Opposition, speaking to his amendment, said they were talking about 51,000 people employed by the GLC and the six metropolitan counties. Three counties already had these schemes – West Yorkshire and Greater Manchester, each with over 7,000 employees, and Merseyside with more than 5,000 employees. The schemes were brought in with the general support of the councils concerned.

Lord Plummer of St Marylebone (C) said the greatest asset any organization had was its staff and it was very important that they should be fairly treated. It was not their fault, speaking of the GLC, that they had irresponsible masters who appeared to have prevented them opening these discussions.

The compensation terms and staff transfer arrangements for the GLC were unsatisfactory compared with previous reorganizations. This situation had been made worse because the administrative task of dispersing thousands of staff to successor bodies could not be achieved, even taking the most optimistic view, within the limited timetable proposed by the Government.

Lady Fisher of Rednal (Lab) said three metropolitan counties were able to bring forward their severance schemes before March 2; the other three were not so far advanced. She believed that the West Midlands were placing their scheme before their financial resources committee at the beginning of July. It was a case of getting it through all the various committees.

The Earl of Gowrie said the vast majority of staff affected would be transferred to the successor bodies. Those left to seek recruitment would be a relatively small proportion of the total staff – about 30 per cent.

The Government intended that the successor bodies should recruit staff; it was a matter for them. The Government also desired a voluntary early retirement scheme which went equitably across the whole community, particularly the public sector.

The position where some of the employees will be treated more generously in the compensation they receive than others (he said) is not of the Government's making. It arises from the preemptive, misguided and irresponsible actions by some of the authorities concerned.

They had provided terms without regard for the costs, leaving that to their successor. That was not responsible behaviour nor a sensible basis on which to prepare regulations.

The Government believes it important (he said) that individual employees of the authorities should not be misled, mistakenly or even deliberately, into believing that they have a right to protective terms which in practice under this clause, they do not.

The unions and employers (he continued) who are unwilling to discuss the compensation issue only add to the uncertainty which their members and employees respectively face.

Some unions with great courage have defied their national leaders and entered into negotiations with the employers (he said). I hope more will; they will find the settlement very reasonable.

Bus deals must be registered

TRANSPORT BILL

Competition was at the heart of the Transport Bill and undesirable restrictive trade practices should be prevented in order to provide essential safeguards for passengers, Mr David Mitchell, Under Secretary of State for Transport, said when the guillotined report stage of th Bill began in the Commons.

He was moving a new clause to end the existing exemptions for bus and coach operators from the Restrictive Trade Practices Act 1976. Such exemptions would not be appropriate following deregulation, he said. The new clause was carried by 271 votes to 153 – Government majority, 118.

The effect of the new clause, he said would be that if two or more operators entered into agreements by which they accepted restrictions concerning fares, areas covered or frequency of services then they would be required to register such agreements with the Office of Fair Trading.

Agreements which involved significant restrictions could be referred to the Restrictive Practices Court. It would then be open to the parties to the agreement to seek to persuade the court that it was not against the public interest and should therefore stand.

The new clause would not spell the end of all forms of agreement between bus operators.

Mrs Gwyneth Dunwoody, chief Opposition spokesman on transport, said in rural areas there would be tiny bus companies, perhaps one man with one bus making a sensible timetabling agreement with another one man with another bus. Was the minister really saying such matters should automatically be referred in case they were in some way promoting a restrictive trade practice?

At present, coordination of timetabling and services was of most use to the traveller. Many operators would invevitably want to dovetail their services with their competitors in areas where there was enough work to go around. There was no great danger in this for the passengers. It was to their advantage.

Mr Gordon Oakes (Halton, Lab) said it was sensible, particularly in rural areas, for operators to agree to divide services between them.

Mr Eric Forth (Mid Worcestersire, C) welcomed the new clause. It was an indication he said that, the Government had responded to requests made during the committee stage to improve the working of the Bill.

Mr Kenneth Hind (Lancashire West, C) it was an essential clause to protect the interests of the general public and to protect their choice.

Mr Richard Caborn (Sheffield Central, Lab) said the basis of the Bill was the Hereford and Worcester experiment which had been an unmitigated disaster from every conveivable point of view.

Mr David Mitchell said it was Mrs Dunwoody who was in a muddle, not the Government. Two operators harmlessly coordinating their services would not be caught. All the Government was doing was doing away with the special privilege of the bus industry and making it like any other industry.

Shop hours vote

The Government had majorities of 120 and 143 in two divisions at the conclusion of Monday's debate shopping hours and Sunday trading.

The Government motion commending the Auld Committee recommendations that limitations on shopping hours be removed was carried by 304 votes to 184 and an Opposition amendment seeking safeguard for shop workers was rejected by 321 votes to 178.

Bill to rate farm land rejected

Mr Edward Taylor (Southend East, C) was refused leave in the Commons to introduce a Bill to impose rates on agricultural buildings. His Bill was rejected by 184 votes to 99 – majority against, 85.

Mr Taylor argued that there was no justification for agricultural derating. It was grotesque for the agricultural industry to make no contribution to the cost of local government. His measures would bring in about £300 million a year which could be used to reduce the general rates burden.

New peer

Lord Kimball, formerly Sir Marcus Kimball, Conservative MP for Gainsborough from 1956 to 1983, was introduced in the House of Lords.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Transport Bill, completion of remaining stages. **Lords** (2.15): Debates on tourism and on the Arab-Israeli dispute. Tobacco Products (Advertising) Bill, second reading.

MoD shells have east bloc TNT

PMs QUESTIONS

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, denied in the Commons that the Ministry of Defence had placed an order overseas which would involve using TNT from the Soviet Union because it was cheapest.

There was laughter as Mr David Penhaligon (Truro, L) said: The current Ministry of Defence order for 11,000 artillery shells has been placed with a Belgium firm that uses Soviet TNT because it is cheapest.

What assurances can she give on continuity of supply in the event of hostilities between East and West? (Laughter).

Mrs Thatcher: The department has a policy of introducing greater competition. (Loud laughter). Tenders are sought only from recognized and established sources of manufacture predominantly within Western Europe. We do not procure any ammunition products directly from the eastern bloc.

TRB which got the order is a Belgium state company with a high international reputation for the supply of ammunition, explosives and propellants. It was TRB that occasionally got some of its explosives from eastern Europe.

Miners' plan welcomed

Miners wanting a more direct stake in their collieries was a development the Goverment would welcome in principle, Mrs Thatcher, also said.

Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson (New Forest, C) asked her: Will she encourage the chairman of the National Coal Board to give permission to the group of miners who wish to invest their own money to finance and work their own pit?

Since they will be producing mainly for the domestic market, there can be no logical reason for stopping this sensible extension of private enterprise.

Mrs Thatcher: I read reports that a number of miners in Emley Moor colliery wanted to set up a miners' co-operative. I am sure the NCB will consider carefully any proposal which the group may put forward.

Tree planting taxation

Mrs Thatcher said she would draw to the Chancellor of the Exchequer's attention a complaint that tax concessions given for tree-planting were over-generous and being abused.

The issue of exemption obtained by landowners on income reinvested in planting and non-payment of tax until there were profits from the sale of the timber, was raised by Mr Michael Forysth (Stirling, C).

He asked: Will she consider the over-generous tax concessions being given to the planting of trees which are being abused and are resulting in destruction of hill farms and distortion of the market for land values and other activities with serious long-term consequences for the environment?

Mrs Thatcher: It is a rare occasion where we are accused of having tax concessions that are too generous.

Underground staff praised

Mrs Thatcher indicated that she shared the views of Mr John Butterfill (Bournemouth West, C) who congratulated London Transport workers for their enormous good sense in refusing to join the strike on the Underground on which they had not been consulted.

He added: Does Mrs Thatcher share with me that sense of achievement that the industrial relations legislation seems to be working most satisfactorily?

Mrs Thatcher: I share his views. The industrial relations legislation which we introduced in the teeth of opposition has given rights to ordinary members of trade unions that enables them to have a positive say in matters affecting their future.

PM silent on abortion case

Mrs Thatcher refused to comment on the case of a 15 year-old girl who had been made a ward of court in order to have an abortion against the wishes of her mother.

Mrs Ann Winterton (Congleton, C), who raised the issue, said: Will Mrs Thatcher join me in deploring this most unhappy event and agree that if in the best interests of the family, parents must be responsible for their under-age children?

Mrs Thatcher: This is normally so but I understand in this case the matter came before the courts and it would be inappropriate therefore for me to comment on it.

Teachers should be prepared to talk about what they are being paid for

EDUCATION

The proposal that teachers were prepared to discuss pay but not what they were being paid for was absurd, Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, commented in the Commons when Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough Lab) contended that the Prime Minister, and Sir Keith Joseph, her Secretary of State for Education and Science, and not the teachers, were harming children.

Mrs Thatcher, speaking after Sir Keith Joseph had answered questions at length on the dispute, reminded MPs that Sir Keith had always made clear that the Government was unable to make available additional resources in 1985-86 but for the longer term, he had also made clear that if employers and teachers came to him with an affordable package involving both pay and conditions of service, he would be willing to put it to his colleagues.

Earlier Sir Keith Joseph said that hankering back to comparability would bring back the rocketing rate of inflation and rocketing rate of unemployment which comparability had brought in the past.

When Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing North, C) asked if progress had been made on how an appraisal system would be implemented Sir Keith Joseph said that alas the use of the texpayers' money he had set aside for pilot schemes had been blocked by the teachers' unions.

I am eager (he said) to embark on pilot schemes as soon as possible. In the meanwhile I am convening a conference on appraisal, to which local education authority and teacher representation will certainly be invited, for this autumn.

Mr Edward Leigh (Gainsborough and Horncastle, C) said the present negotiating machinery clearly did not work adequately. Would the minister institute urgent reform of the Teachers' Remuneration Act to ensure new machinery was devised to include appraisal of teachers' performance and restructuring of their salary levels?

Sir Keith Joseph: I have not yet been convinced that a change in structure is necessary. What he wishes for, to a large extent, exists in Scotland without achieving the purpose he has in mind.

Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab): After the shire county elections, a large number of councils lost Conservative control and more and more local authorities are coming behind the teachers and saying they deserve a decent rate of pay.

If a better offer is made, will he lift ratecapping and other financial restraints in order that more money can be found?

Sir Keith Joseph: No.

Mr Michael Hancock (Portsmouth South, SDP): As the Burnham negotiations are continuing to break down, it is about time he got personally involved and took over negotiations with the teachers.

Sir Keith Joseph: We must wait and see what happens in Burnham which meets again this Thursday.

Mr Richard Holt (Langbaurgh, C) asked about a school for handicapped children in his constituency which suffers inconvenience due to industrial action after the Whitsun holiday.

Sir Keith Joseph: I would rather speak in general about the behaviour of those teachers who are disrupting or who are on strike.

I think they are letting down their profession, they are seriously damaging the interests of the children and they are bringing great harm to the many one-parent households.

Mr Roy Hughes (Newport East, Lab): Morale of teachers is at an all-time low. Can the minister not appreciate the detrimental effect which that can have on the long-term future of our children? Why will he not put up extra money to try to reach an amicable settlement?

Sir Keith Joseph: The union leaders in certain cases have been systematically misleading members of their unions. The teachers' unions have refused to negotiate, arbitrate, or even to discuss the restructuring the employers have asked them to talk about.

Mr Mark Carlisle (Warrington, South, C): As from today the NUT has called out teachers, from four schools in my constituency, three of them primary schools, having published that the basis is that they are in the constituency of a former Secretary of State for Education?

One could not possibly have a shred of respect for the leadership of a union which attempts to justify its behaviour on such spurious ground. Sadly, it confirms my view that the NUT as a body is becoming a grievous danger to the professional standing of teachers. (Conservative cheers).

Sir Keith Joseph: While sympathising with the parents and children in Mr Carlisle's constituency, I think that the behaviour of any union and any teacher which damages children's education is unforgivable.

Favell: Pupils being used as political footballs

Mr Martin Flannery: Inflation is running at 6.9 per cent and rising, and the teachers have been offered 4 per cent and have lost 30 per cent. They are the most moderate group of people, struggling for a living wage.

Will the minister make clear that he has 15 votes on the Burnham Committee and has used them twice recently to stop a negotiated settlement. That is the reality. This struggle will go on almost indefinitely unless he spends more money on teachers to give them a living wage.

Sir Keith Joseph: I agree with one of Mr Flannery's points: most teachers are moderate and hard working and take the job very seriously.

The votes for officials of the ministry were provided during the time of or in the Remuneration of Teachers Act 1965, passed by a Labour Government.

Mr Flannery: You never answered the question.

Mr David Madel (South-west Bedfordshire, C): Should not classroom disruption stop at once, and both sides make an effort to get through a three year deal which would have the beginnings of real rewards for teachers.

Mr Keith Joseph: I wish the teachers would go back to negotiating and let us hope that on Thursday they will start to do so.

Mr Clement Freud (North-East Cambridgeshire, L): If the minister wants the teachers to negotiate, will he press the Cabinet to allow authorities to overspend their targets without being penalized?

Sir Keith Joseph: No. That would be providing further public money and I have already told those concerned that that is not what the Government intends to do.

Mr Alan Haselhurst (Saffron Walden, C): In this difficult situation it needs constant re-emphasis that there is a prospect of more money if only teachers and their employers can reach agreement on the lines suggested by the Secretary of State.

Sir Keith Joseph: The answer is definitely yes.

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab): Is the minister not more than pleased that the NUT have exempted certain authorities from industrial action?

Sir Keith Joseph: I am glad that any school which would otherwise have been disrupted is not to be, but I cannot in any way respect the decision of the NUT to pick out some authorities and not others for exempting children.

The children are in their charge and they are letting down their responsibility.

Mr Anthony Favell (Stockport, C): In the Metropolitan Borough of Stockport there are no members of the NUT on strike in Denton and Reddish, but there are in Stockport and Hazel Grove constituencies.

An MP: Breach of privilege.

Mr Favell: It is merely because Mr Andrew Bennett (Denton and Reddish, Lab) has given wholehearted support to their action whereas Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove, C) and I have refused to.

Pupils are being used as political footballs. Has the minister a word to describe this kind of pressure brought on MPs?

Sir Keith Joseph: I only repeat that I deplore the thoroughly unprofessional behaviour of the teachers' union leaders conducting this policy and of those teachers who cooperate with them.

Mr Giles Radice, chief Opposition spokesman on education: Will the Secretary of State veto any Burnham settlement above 4 per cent?

Sir Keith Joseph: The veto, which came in about 1965, when the Labour Government was in office, is not a matter about which I am prepared to make predictions.

Mr Michael Colvin (Romsey and Waterside, C): With one million children affected by strike action this week, would he endeavour to incorporate a no strike clause in any future formula which may be agreed on teachers' pay?

Sir Keith Joseph: I am grateful for that suggestion. My representatives only have a relative, though important part in the negotiations. I am sure the employers will have noted his suggestion.

Mr Clement Freud asked what sort of appraisal Sir Keith Joseph had in mind?

Sir Keith Joseph: I have appraisal in mind, a system or systems which will be worked out with the employers and with the teachers themselves. There is no question of imposing one particular drill but it is important that the employers and teachers should formulate, together with the department, methods of appraisal which are fair and satisfactory.

Appraisal should be by a method respected by all concerned but he was not prepared to say that it should be by independent people.

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Quarantine restrictions inadequate

***Regina v Secretary of State for* Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Ex Parte Avi Centre (London) Ltd**

Before Mr Justice Kennedy

[Judgment delivered May 20]

The secretary of state was acting within the terms of article 6 of the Importation of Birds, Poultry and Hatching Eggs Order (SI 1979 No 1702) in ordering the slaughter of imported birds which had come into contact with disease after the time of their importation, and he was entitled to withhold compensation in the exercise of powers conferred upon him by section 10 of the Animal Health Act 1981.

Mr Justice Kennedy so held in the Queen's Bench Division in dismissing an application by Avi Centre (London) Ltd for an order of certiorari to quash the decision of the Secretary of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on or about January 29, 1984 to order the slaughter of the applicant's stock of birds without compensation.

The 1979 Order provides by article 6:

"(1) Where a veterinary inspector suspects that poultry or eggs – (a) which have been landed in Great Britain, or (b) which may have been in contact with poultry or eggs so landed, are or may be affected with disease, he may ... (4) cause to be slaughtered ... any poultry or eggs to which paragraph (1) applies."

The 1981 Act provides by section 10: "(1) The ministers may by orders make such provision as they think fit for the purpose of preventing the introduction or spreading of disease into or within Great Britain through the importation of – (a) animals ... (c) other things, whether animate or inanimate, by or by means of which it appears to them that any disease might be carried or transmitted.

"(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred by this section ... an order under this section- ... (b) may make provision ... with respect to ... animals, and other things which have been or may have been in contact with imports; ... (d) may make provision with respect to any of the matters specified in Schedule 2 to this Act."

Schedule 2 provides: "5 Seizure, detention and treatment of animals and other things. 6 Slaughter of animals ... 12 Entitlement to compensation and the determination ... of the amount of compensation payable in any case."

Mr Jeremy Griggs for the applicant, Mr Alan Moses for the secretary of state.

MR JUSTICE KENNEDY said that the applicant traded in caged birds, which he both imported and exported. In August 1983 he imported seven consignments of birds, which were subjected to 35 days' quarantine at an approved centre.

In January 1984 some parakeets from among the imported birds died, and post-mortems revealed the cause to be Newcastle Disease, a virulent and dangerous disease not indigenous to Great Britain.

On January 28, the secretary of state issued an order requiring the applicant to slaughter his entire stock of birds, since there was a high risk that all had been in contact with those which had died. The birds were valued at £32,000; the secretary of state refused payment of compensation.

Contrary to the applicant's contention, article 6 of the order did not require that there be a temporal connection between the importation of the birds and contact with or contracting of disease. The diseased birds had been landed in Great Britain and had been in contact with the applicant's remaining birds.

The secretary of state was therefore entitled to make the order, and it was irrelevant to the validity of the order that the imported birds had undergone the requisite quarantine period.

Section 34(6) of the 1981 Act empowered the secretary of state to withhold compensation where the birds were diseased at the time of landing, or exposed to infection prior to landing.

Under section 10(2) and Schedule 2 to the Act the secretary of state had wider powers. It was the intention of Parliament to prevent the introduction and spreading of disease.

The Act made a distinction between those animals which were indigenous and those which were imported. In the case of the former compensation was payable in respect of their slaughter. In the case of the latter the secretary of state was empowered to withhold compensation. That distinction was unsurprising given the high number of imported animals and the risk of disease.

His Lordship accepted the evidence that the quarantine restrictions imposed were insufficient to guarantee that the animal was disease-free, and the Act provided that the risk in the case of imported stock should lie where it fell.

Solicitors: Edward Lewis & Co; Solicitor, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

O level job requirement is justifiable

Raval v Department of Health and Social Security and Another

Before Mr Justice Waite, Mr J. D. Anderson and Ms P. Smith

[Judgment delivered May 17]

An Asian teacher, educated abroad, who was refused an interview for a job as clerical officer because she did not have the English language O level required by the Civil Service as a qualifying condition of entry to its clerical grades, was not unlawfully discriminated against on the ground of her race, within the meaning of section 1(1) of the Race Relations Act 1976.

The Employment Appeal Tribunal dismissed an appeal by Mrs Ansuya Raval from a decision of a London industrial tribunal in February 1984, that her complaint of unlawful discrimination against the Department of Health and Social Security and the Civil Service Commission failed. She had appealed on the ground that the industrial tribunal had erred in law in their construction of section 1(1) of the 1976 Act.

Section 1 provides "(1) A person discriminates against another in any circumstances relevant for the purposes of any provision of this Act if – (*a*) on racial grounds he treats that other less favourably than he treats or would treat other persons; or (*b*) he applies to that other a requirement or condition which he applies or would apply equally to persons not of the same racial group as that other but – (i) which is such that the proportion of persons of the same racial group as that other who can comply with it is considerably smaller than the proportion of persons not of that racial group who can comply with it; and (ii) which he cannot show to be justifiable irrespective of the colour, race, nationality or ethnic or national origins of the person to whom it is applied; and (iii) which is to the detriment of that other because he cannot comply with it".

Mr Stephen Sedley, QC and Mr R. G. B. Allen for Mrs Raval; Miss Diana Cotton, QC and Mr Peter Clark for the respondents.

MR JUSTICE WAITE said that Mrs Raval was rejected because she had not obtained an English language O-level and because neither the grade she had obtained in the overseas version of the examination nor her years of teaching in English language schools came within the listed categories of acceptable equivalents.

The main issue under the Act was whether the proportion of persons in the same (Asian) racial group as Mrs Raval who could comply with the requirement of English language O level was considerably smaller than the proportion of persons not within that group (section 1(1)(b)(i)).

The industrial tribunal had had to decide the meaning of "can comply with it". They took the view that the connotation of ability to comply should be extended to anyone with an inherent ability to obtain the qualification regardless of whether it had actually been obtained at the relevant time.

They found that people in the Asian minority group were just as able academically as the rest of the population and that there was no reason to impute to them any greater difficulty than any other group in obtaining an English language O level.

The majority of the appeal tribunal disagreed with that construction. In the context of a job advertisement for which specified qualifications were required, the words "can comply" denoted an ability to produce proof that the relevant qualification had been obtained.

The majority of the appeal tribunal also felt that the industrial tribunal were wrong in saying that they had no evidence that Asians were inherently less able to obtain the English language O level. Looking the matter from the standpoint of ability to pass a language examination, such ability was bound to be affected if it was set in what was a second language.

The industrial tribunal had misconstrued the expression "can comply". The proportion of persons within Mrs Raval's Asian group who could comply with the requirement was smaller than the proportion of persons not of the racial group who could comply.

But the industrial tribunal had held that the requirement was justifiable irrespective of race within the meaning of section 1(1)(b)(ii). They had examined the issue thoroughly. Their finding could not be overturned on the basis of misdirection in law or unreasonableness.

Nor was there any basis for interfering with the industrial tribunal's findings that Mrs Raval had suffered no detriment within the meaning of section 1(1)(b)(iii). It would have been easy for her to obtain the necessary qualification by taking the English language O level paper. The appeal would be dismissed

Solicitors: Bindman & Partners; Treasury Solicitor.

Legal aid criticism

Scully v Round

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Kerr and Lord Justice Croom-Johnson) on May 20 criticized the grant, to both parties of legal aid certificates based on notices of appeal and cross-appeal most of the grounds for which were abandoned at the hearing.

The appeal of the defendant, Mr Brian Horace Round, was allowed on the basis of an error of reckoning in the judgment of Judge Davison at Dudley County Court on August 13, 1982 for the plaintiff, Mr Patrick Charles Scully, for £280. The cross-appeal was dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE KERR said that both parties had received legal aid certificates for the appeal and cross-appeal. It was extremely unfortunate that legal aid should have been granted to either party.

It was only due to the responsibility of counsel on each side that almost everything in the notices of appeal and cross-appeal were abandoned. It would have been much better if legal aid certificates had been refused.

The casting error of £800 in the judge's figures was not in the notice of appeal but it was clearly a good point for which leave to amend had been sought.

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Select committee report

Civil liberty worry over Special Branch not justified, MPs say

By Richard Evans
Lobby Reporter

Police Special Branches in England and Wales perform an essential public service and do not justify public anxiety, the Commons home affairs select committee concludes in a majority report published yesterday.

The report, supported by the seven Conservative MPs on the committee, says there is little doubt that the Special Branches have been in danger of acquiring a sinister reputation of a force which persecutes harmless citizens for political reasons, acts in nefarious ways to assist the security services and is accountable to no one. "Our inquiry has sought to discover... whether there are valid grounds for concern."

The inquiry was inevitably severely restricted, the MPs say, by the need to avoid any disclosure which could damage national security.

In December 1984, during the early stages of the committee's inquiry, Mr Leon Brittan, Home Secretary, published Home Office guidelines on the work of Special Branch officers.

The report says: "It is not clear to us why it was ever necessary to keep the guidelines secret. If our inquiry had achieved nothing else we believe that the publication of these guidelines would have made the inquiry worthwhile."

Special Branches operate in combating subversion and terrorism, helping to preserve public order and gathering intelligence about actual and potential threats to public order.

Control and accountability

The National Council for Civil Liberties and the Association of Metropolitan Authorities suggested Special Branches were insufficiently accountable, through chief constables, to police authorities, the report says.

"We believe that chief constables do, through appropriate senior officers, exercise the same degree of control over their Special Branches as they do over all police officers."

Because the committee did not investigate individual Special Branch operations "we cannot say that there are never instances of misguided or overzealous actions by Special Branch officers, but we are reassured by the firm evidence, given by those representing chief constables that there is no general lack of control."

Public order

Special Branches gather information about threats to public order to enable an appropriate level of policing to be provided at marches, meetings, demonstrations and pickets. That includes investigating matters connected with industrial disputes, but only in relation to threats to public order, the report adds.

It is not the job of Special Branches to interest themselves in people just because of opinions they hold.

The MPs say: "We are satisfied that such public concern as may exist about Special Branch investigations in relation to public order is unfounded."

Subversion

Subversive activities are defined as "those which threaten the safety or well-being of the State, and which are intended to undermine or overthrow parliamentary democracy by political, industrial or violent means".

The MPs say: "We have considered whether this definition is too wide, for it has been represented to us that it enables the Special Branches to treat as subversive 'a wide range of political and industrial activities'.

"We considered Lord Denning's description of a subversive 'one who would overthrow . . . government by unlawful means'."

But the MPs conclude that the existing definition, given by Lord Harris of Greenwich in the Lords in 1975, is "broadly correct". It does not cover political or industrial activities unless both its limbs apply.

Training

"The training programme described to us appears to be both adequate and reasonable..."

Each of the 43 police forces in England and Wales, has its own Special Branch.

Last July the Metropolitan Police Special Branch had 379 officers, including 73 on port duties and 67 on personal protection work. Merseyside Special Branch had 108 officers, of whom 73 worked at ports. The remaining forces contained about 760 Special Branch Officers.

The following MPs took part in the inquiry.

Conservative: Sir Edward Gardner (Fylde, committee chairman); Miss Janet Fookes (Plymouth Drake); Mr Jeremy Hanley (Richmond and Barnes); Mr John Hunt (Ravensbourne); Sir Fergus Montgomery (Altrincham and Sale); Mr Ivor Stanbrook (Orpington); Mr John Wheeler (Westminster North).

Labour: Mr Gerald Bermingham (St Helens South); Mr Robin Corbett (Birmingham, Erdington); Ms Clare Short (Birmingham, Ladywood); Mr David Winnick (Walsall North).

Mr Ajeeb getting his robes as his wife, Arshad, the Lady Mayoress, looks on.

Race pledge by black Lord Mayor

Britain's first black Lord Mayor took office yesterday with a pledge to work for improved race relations and increased job opportunities for ethnic minority youth (Peter Davenport writes).

The highlight of Mr Muhammad Ajeeb's career, from a teenage immigrant labourer to Bradford's first citizen, has been overshadowed by the fire tragedy at the city's football stadium. At a ceremony in the City Hall, Mr Ajeeb, a Labour councillor for the past five years, not only mourned the dead but looked to the future.

He said: "It has been said that my coming Lord Mayor is a step forward in race relations. It may also confirm some people's suspicions that the whole exercise is nothing but tokenism. I hope that I shall show that I am no token. I never have been and I never shall be."

Mr Ajeeb, who was born in Pakistan, moved to England in 1958 working as a labourer, a shunter for British Rail and a bus conductor. He remains a practising Muslim.

Falklands training curbs anger RAF crews

RAF fighter pilots in the Falklands believe the islands' defences are being put at risk because of restrictions on their training.

The aircrew are not allowed to fly below 250 feet and have to abide by speed limits, as in the United Kingdom.

But documents captured in the war show that Argentine pilots attacked British ships at heights of 30ft or lower. The RAF crews want to train to cope with similar attacks.

One Harrier pilot said: "The regulations here are ridiculous. The UK rule book has simply been applied to the islands and it's completely unsuitable. This could be the best training ground in the world but at the moment it is being wasted.

The height regulations also mean RAF pilots cannot simulate Argentine air attacks to train missile crews.

A Phantom pilot said: "If you fly against our missile bases at 250 feet you get a message back saying - 'unrealistic - not like Argentinians. Don't call us we'll call you'.

Immediately after the conflict pilots were allowed to fly at 100 feet, but the regulations were later tightened, possibly because one fighter crashed on the islands.

Air crews face court martial if they fly outside the limites, but the Phantom pilot said: "The only was to decent training is by breaking the rules. But you never know when someone might report you".

Minority group calls for investigation

An independent commission of inquiry should be set up to investigate the Special Branch, according to a minority report by Mr David Winnick, Labour MP for Walsall North, which is supported by party colleagues on the home affairs select committee.

The Labour MPs said: "We are satisfied that political surveillance is carried out by the Special Branches, often at the request of the intelligence services, against those who in no way wish to undermine or destroy parliamentary democracy or threaten the well-being of the State."

The minority report cites the case of Mrs Madeline Haigh, of Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands, who was "harassed" by the Special Branch after writing to her local paper opposing the siting of cruise missiles. It also refers to the revelations of two former MI5 employees in the 20/20 Vision film, *MI5's Official Secrets*, shown on Channel Four.

The MPs said: "We are equally concerned at the intervention by the Special Branches in industrial relations matters."

The minority report recommends:

- **Changing the definition of subversion because the existing definition allows "far too wide a discretion to the Special Branches".**
- **Much stricter attitudes adopted by "agencies of the State" before civil liberties of citizens are interfered with.**
- **An independent commission of inquiry**
- **Training of Special Branch officers on issues including evolution of political democracy in Britain, history of trade unionism, the long tradition of public campaigning and dissent.**
- **The Commons to examine the possibility of making the security services accountable to Parliament to some degree.**
- **Regular parliamentary debates**

Expedition finds Armada wreck off Irish coast

A team of English and Scottish divers has discovered the wreck of one of three ships of the Spanish Armada which sank in storms after being routed by the English in 1588.

Three bronze cannon and a cannon ball have been recovered from the wreck, believed to be the Juliana, off Streedagh, Co Sligo in the Irish Republic.

Dr Colin Martin, the expedition's director, said yesterday that the find could be as important as the discovery of Henry VIII's battleship, the Mary Rose.

Court rejects return of child to mother

A judge's decision to return a boy aged four months to a couple who had been guilty of branding and beating three other children, was criticized in the Court of Appeal yesterday.

Sir Roger Ormrod, sitting with Lord Justice Fox, said that the baby would be exposed to "grave risks" if handed over.

They overturned a decision of Mr Justice Balcombe, in the Family Division of the High Court in March, who gave control to the mother.

The child, not named in court, will stay in the care of Barnsley District Council,

Infrastructure: 3

Call for state funds to assist house repairs

Many people believe Britain is crumbling because of inadequate investment in infrastructure. The Government denies it. In the concluding part of his series DAVID WALKER examines how much investment there should be.

In its recent Green Paper on home improvement, the Government said that the primary responsibility for maintaining private housing, an essential element of the nation's infrastructure, lay with owners.

Home owners each spend on average at least £620 a year on repairs and decoration, amounting to more than £7.5 billion a year for England and Wales. But is this enough when successive surveys of the physical condition of housing suggest that while nearly all dwellings have basic amenities, the signs of disrepair are growing?

In 1981, more than three million dwellings in England were found in need of repairs costing at least £2,500. There is a high correlation between the age of housing and unsatisfactory condition. According to the Institute of Housing a large commitment of government money is needed to assist home owners maintain their properties."

The Government has never denied the need for investment in the nation's infrastructure, but says this has to be a partnership between State and private developers, firms and households.

In an introduction to a booklet extolling the Government's inner-city policy, Mrs Thatcher said that "huge amounts" of taxpayers' money had been spent on land clearance and refurbishing buildings, and it was money best spent in partnership with the private sector.

In 1983-84, the 13 public sector bodies involved in providing the basic infrastructure of water mains, coal, gas and electricity installations spent £6.7 billion. Was it enough? Three years ago the National Water Council costed a programme for replacing sewers at an extra £20 million a year, rising to £100 million. This represents up to a third of the amount spent in 1982-83 by all the English and Welsh water authorities on capital investment on sewerage, land drainage and environmental works.

The Government has recently publicized the fact that, in aggregate, spending on new construction work has risen since 1979-80 by more than £1.3 billion a year. Including housing association payments and improvement grants to householders, public outlays on building were £8.8 billion in the year up to the end of March.

Conservatives have urged Mrs Thatcher to publicize such figures, and to make more visits to the sites of roadworks, bypasses and building works, to scotch allegations by opposition politicians that Britain is becoming "tatty".

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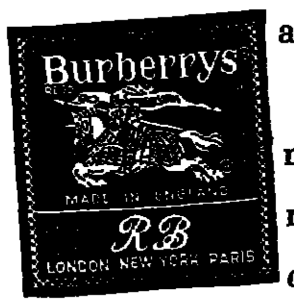

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Outburst of nationalism in Peking football riot shocks Hong Kong

From David Bonavia, Hong Kong

Public opinion here has registered shock and disbelief at the football riot in Peking on Sunday, in which an ugly degree of anti-Hong Kong sentiment was displayed by young people.

In recent months, Hong Kong has been flattered and wooed by mainland officials in preparation for the transfer of sovereignty from Britain to Peking.

People here are concerned by reports of extreme hostility shown to foreigners and those thought to be from Hong Kong, after the colony's football team defeated China in a World Cup run-up match.

The Hong Kong team returned here yesterday to a hero's welcome. But officials and ordinary people here are wondering whether the riot did not signify a deeper degree of hostility towards Hong Kong people and Overseas Chinese than is normally permitted to be seen in China. The outburst naturally arouses fears about the treatment Hong Kong will receive after 1997.

As in Britain, football hooliganism in China is seen as *partly a sign of frustration on* the part of young people who have failed to find satisfactory jobs despite the optimistic assurances of the leadership.

In China, hostility towards foreigners, as scapegoats for the country's ills over the past 150 years, has resulted in violence and even massacres, but most people had felt this was a thing of the past.

● **PEKING:** Police detained 127 football fans after Sunday night's riot in which 30 policemen were beaten up and four seriously injured, the *People's Daily* reported yesterday (Mary Lee writes).

According to police statistics, 25 vehicles were damaged, including four cars driven by foreign residents, five taxis, 11 buses and five other vehicles.

The only local casualty apart from the police appears to have been a taxi driver who was beaten up by rioters as they overturned his car. Three of the rioters were arrested by police on the spot, the paper said.

City officials have described the riot as the worst sports violence in Peking in three decades.

In a separate commentary entitled 'disgraceful behaviour', the *China Daily* said: "Though the rioters amounted to only a rotten apple in the barrel, this is totally alien to the image of the Chinese nation, long noted for its politeness and courtesy. It also shows the neglect of education, particularly civic education, during the decade of the Cultural Revolution."

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Sino-British deal comes into effect next week

From Mary Lee, Peking

The Sino-British joint declaration on Hong Kong will come into effect next Monday when all sides exchange the instruments of ratification of the agreement.

A simultaneous announcement in London, Peking and Hong Kong yesterday named the 10 members of the Sino-British Joint Liaison Group which will oversee the transfer of Hong Kong to China in 1997.

The British side will be led by Dr David Wilson, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for Asian Affairs at the Foreign Office, who headed the British working group during the negotiations last year.

Other members are: Mr Eric Ho, Hong Kong's Secretary for Trade and Industry, Mr John Boyd, the Hong Kong Government's Political Advisor, Mr Tony Galsworthy, Head of the Hong Kong Department at the FCO and Mr Peter Thompson, Counsellor at the British Embassy in Peking.

The Chinese side will be headed by Mr Ke Zai Shuo, who is Director of the Foreign Ministry' Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Office. Others in his group are Mr Zheng Weirong, a Director in the State Council's Hong Kong and Macau office, Mr Qiao Zong Huai, the Deputy Secretary General of the Xinhua News Agency office in Hong Kong, Mr Chen Ziying, Counsellor at the Chinese Embassy in London and Mr Ye Shoukeng, also of the Foreign Ministry's Hong Kong and Macau office.

An Embassy spokesman in Peking said Britain's choice of Mr Ho, who is a Hong Kong Chinese, was based on the need to have someone on the team who could deal with the issue of Hong Kong's continued participation as a signatory of Gatt and other international trade agreements.

He described the initial problem of Mr Ho's membership of the British team thus: "We and the Chinese held different views on the nationality of people like Ho. The way round it was found when, on May 11, he applied for British citizenship under Section 4(5) of the Nationality Act which gives the Home Secretary discretion to register certain types of individuals as British citizens".

Mother's helpers: Douglas Fairbanks Jnr and Princess Yasmin Aga Khan at a function in New York to raise money for victims of Alzheimer's disease, which produces premature senility. The Princess's mother, Rita Hayworth, suffers from the illness.

Warm Kremlin welcome for Gandhi

From A Correspondent
Moscow

Soviet leaders gave Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, a warm and elaborate welcome yesterday when he arrived in Moscow for a six-day visit.

Mr Nikolai Tikhonov, the Soviet Prime Minister, and other leaders braved heavy rain to greet him at the airport. He was whisked in a motorcade along deserted streets to the Kremlin, where he met Mr Mikhail Gorbachov and his wife Raisa.

Mr Gandhi's visit, his first official foreign trip, is seen as India's way of emphasizing its intentions to remain Moscow's closest Third World ally, despite recent overtures to the West, primarily the United States. He told Tass that India considered the Soviet Union a steady and trusted friend.

The welcome for Mr Gandhi was no less lavish than those staged by Moscow for his late mother, Mrs Indira Gandhi.

He attended a Kremlin banquet last night.

Spanish unions fall out as jobless total climbs to 3m

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

As Spain's ruling socialists come under increasing critisism from trade unions and employers over plans to reform the social security system, official figures show the country's unemployment climbing inexorably towards the three million mark.

Statistics released on Monday show that 2,924,500 people were registered as unemployed on March 31. That represents 22 per cent of the working age population over 16. More than 1,100,000 are young people.

The figures were released by the National Institute of Statistics without any comment from Senŏr Miguel Boyer, the Economics Minister.

Senŏr Felipe Gonzalez, the Spanish Prime Minister has frequently claimed that tackling unemployment is his government's priority. But if the figures continue to climb pressure to call an early general election will inevitably mount.

The catalyst for the Government's deepening trouble has undoubtedly been the sharp dispute between Senŏr Gonzalez and the pro-socialist trade unions over reforming Spain's nearly bankrupt social security system. For the first time, evidently fearing workers' protests, Senŏr Gonzalez did not attend the May Day rally here.

The strain of the clash has split government's support. Next month, the unions are due to demonstrate alongside the communist-run workers' commissions against the reform. They maintain the charges will mean cuts in pensions, the government argues, however the goal that the goal is to prevent widespread fraud.

The Spanish employers' organization also opposes the reform and is accusing the Government of having broken the terms of a two-year "social compact".

Seŏr Joaquin Almunia, the Labour and Social Security Minister has written to Spain's 5,000,000 pensioners telling them they will not be affected the charges in the system.

Madrid moves on air traffic control

The Spanish Cabinet is to consider today a decree to ensure minimum essential services by the country's air traffic controllers, who are threatening to go on strike next June 3 and 4, a leading tourism official said yesterday (Our Madrid correspondent writes).

Señor Ignacio Fuejo, who was talking to journalists, admitted a 20 per cent drop in British tourist bookings to Spain during the first four months of the year, compared to 1984. But he expressed doubt whether the recent rash of beach bombings at Mediterranean coast resorts had been the cause.

Blaize banks on Caribbean defence treaty

By Henry Stanhope
Diplomatic Correspondent

Countries in the eastern Caribbean expect to sign a mutual defence treaty next month in Grenada. Mr Herbert Blaize, Grenada's Prime Minister (above), said yesterday that he hoped the pact, which will codify existing arrangements would be concluded at the annual meeting of the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States on June 10-15. Barbados though not a member of the organization, is also expected to sign.

Cuba, as a surrogate of the communist world, was only one of a number of threats to regional security, Mr Blaize told a press conference during his official visit to London.

Later he was to put proposals to Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development, in the hope that Britain might be persuaded to increase its aid as Grenada struggles to get back on to an "even keel" two years after a marxist coup led to United States military intervention.

Pope given another lecture

From Ian Murray
Brussels

The Pope ended his 10-day tour of the Benelux countries yesterday after hearing yet another speech by a woman critical of his teaching in the Catholic Church. The attack came from Miss Veronique Oruba, chairman of the General Assembly of Students of the Catholic university of Luvain-la-Neuve, in Belgium. She argued that the Church was out of touch with youth.

Church attitudes should not be confined to a defence of Christian principles, she said, because the Church had to provide actual proposals.

"The message that we receive from the Christian authorities seems to be far removed from reality" she said. "This message is even worrying. The recent stands taken towards Latin American peoples and the *liberation theology*, for instance, astonish young students."

In his long reply the Pope admitted that "public opinion, simple people, are questioning the Church about what they see, in a confused kind of way". His response was to call on theology teachers to teach the doctrine of the Church more clearly.

Throughout his four-day visit to Belgium the Pope had to face criticism, particularly from women, on church doctrine on divorce, contraception and the role of women in the Church. The last of these points was one he never directly addressed.

Atom test monitor rejects agent accusation

From Tony Duboudin, Melbourne

A nuclear physicist appointed by the Australian Government as one of the official observers for British atomic tests in Australia in the 1950s and 1960s has denied he was regarded by the British as a "special agent".

The charge was made at Monday's sitting of the royal commission investigating British nuclear tests in Australia.

The scientist, Sir Ernest Titterton, denied any political involvement and told Mr Justice James McClelland, who is heading the inquiry, that, in his opinion, all tests were carried out safely and did not endanger the Australian population.

Sir Ernest has denied several times that he would be party to any deception of the Australian public. He emigrated from Britain in 1950, and is now head of the nuclear physics department at the Australian National University.

He was asked by the Menzies government to act as an observer at the British tests and later became chairman of the atomic weapons tests safety committee.

On Monday, Mr Peter McClellan, counsel assisting the commission, suggested that correspondence between British officials demonstrated that the British believed Sir Ernest was important in gaining approval of some aspects of the tests.

One letter suggested that Sir Ernest should be approached to "clear any possible political difficulties" in Australia, Mr McCellan said.

Another letter said Sir Ernest had "overplayed his hand" and was now having little influence other than in matters of safety.

Sir Ernest said he did not play "political games". The British had dealt with him only in regard to his position as chairman of the safety committee for the tests.

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Arafat's men launch attack from new Beirut power base

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

Almost three years after he was driven from Beirut with thousands of his Palestine Liberation Organization followers, Yassir Arafat had yesterday consolidated a small army of loyal Palestinian guerrillas back in the Lebanese capital, having persuaded even those PLO men nominally loyal to Syria to change sides and fight alongside his own men. In Amman, Mr Arafat – clearly hoping that the re-establishment of his physical power in Lebanon will strengthen his negotiating position with the Israelis as well as with those PLO men still taking orders from Damascus – claimed that the Palestinians in the Beirut camps were being "massacred" by their Shia Muslim opponents.

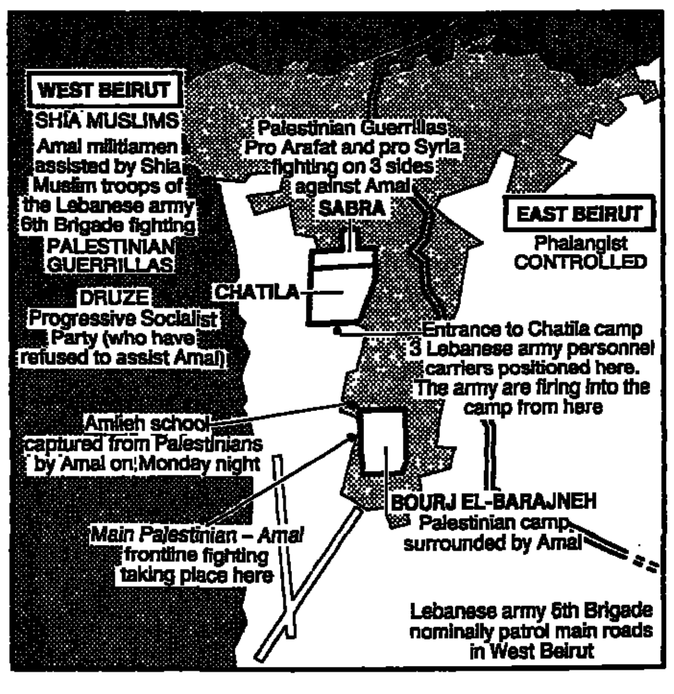
In fact, his own guerrillas were counter-attacking yesterday, fighting their way through the high-rise apartment blocks of the Fakhani district north of the Sabra camp as Shia Muslim Amal militiamen – apparently encouraged by Syria – tried to stem their offensive. Shia Muslim troops of the Lebanese Army's sixth brigade had earlier joined in the battle against the Palestinians at Chatila, positioning their armoured vehicles only 60 yards from the mass grave of those massacred there in 1982 and firing heavy machine guns into the camp.

Car-loads of Amal gunmen wearing red and black headbands arrived to stem the Palestinian advance near Fakhani while their leader. Mr Nabih Berri - still nominally a minister in the Lebanese Government - angrily claimed that Mr Arafat had "bought out" the pro-Syrian PLO men with large cash funds channelled into Beirut banks. Certainly, Mr Arafat has done this in the Ein Helwe camp in Sidon; equally certainly, rumours have been sweeping Beirut for some days that large transfers of dollars have been arriving in Lebanese financial institutions from the PLO's headquarters in Tunis.

"Abu Ammar [Mr Arafat] has bought them out", said Mr Berri. "His lavish spending is one of the reasons behind the decline of the dollar rate [in Lebanon]." If this is a somewhat exotic explanation of Lebanon's economic problems, it certainly reflects the fury with which both Mr Berri and the Syrians now regard the PLO renaissance in Beirut. On Mr Berri's own admission, 32 of his militiamen have been killed in the past two days of fighting while the Palestinians say they have lost at least 22.

More than 80 people, many of them civilians, have now died in the fighting and yesterday the International Red Cross appealed for a ceasefire to evacuate dozens of wounded Palestinians from the camps.

To the south of Chatila, Amal militiamen have captured the wrecked four-story Amleih school from Palestinian gunmen on the edge of Bourj El-Barajneh, while sixth brigade soldiers said they were now able to patrol some streets in the Sabra camp which adjoins Chatila. Aal are now saying that the PLO have dug up hundreds of weapons from secret arms caches which the Israelis failed to discover after that massacre by Israel's Christian militia allies in 1982. Three years ago, of course, Amal and the PLO fought together against the Israelis; such alliances rearly last in Lebanon.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Entrance to Chatila camp 3 Lebanese army personnel carriers positioned here. The army are firing into the camp from here
Amlieh school captured from Palestinians by Amal on Monday night
BOURJ EL-BARAJNEH Palestinian camp surrounded by Amal
Main Palestinian – Amal frontline fighting taking place here
Lebanese army 6th Brigade nominally patrol main roads in West Beirut

Husain gets ready for US trip

From Alice Brinton Cairo

King Husain of Jordan ended a brief visit to Egypt yesterday, but neither he nor President Mubarak would comment on their talks. The king's only statement was to say they had been "very, very excellent".

Egyptian and Jordanian officials said the visit was to prepare for the king's talks next week with American officials in Washington, where he is due to meet President Reagan.

It was also revealed that the main topic discussed by President Mubarak and the Jordanian monarch was the issue of Palestinian representation in any future peace talks.

Egypt and Jordan want Washington to open a dialogue with a joint Jordanian-Palestinian delegation prior to any direct negotiations with the Israelis. The sticking point now is: who should represent the Palestinians?

A recent Middle East tour by the US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, produced no tangible results on this issue.

● LONDON: King Husain arrived in London yesterday on his way to the US (Henry Stanhope writes).

Today he is expected to see Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, or Mr Richard Luce, the Foreign Office minister with responsibility for the Middle East. He will not see Mrs Margaret Thatcher until next week, when he is due to make a similar stop on his way back from Washington.

The gunman of Lod

Japan fears return of Red Army

From David Watts, Tokyo

The release of Kozo Okamoto, the only survivor of three Japanese who staged the Lod airport massacre of 1972, might be the spark that will reignite Red Army terrorism, it is feared in Japan.

Okamoto was with the 394 Palestinians who arrived in Tripoli yesterday morning just as the Japanese ambassador in Tel Aviv was passing on Japan's regrets at his release. The Japanese Government appealed in advance to the Israelis not to release Okamoto, who killed and injured 100 people at Lod airport. That request was turned down on Sunday, the Israeli's saying that Okamoto was a key element in the agreement for the exchange of 1,100 Palestinians for three Israelis.

Mr Shintaro Abe, the Japanese Foreign Minister, said the request had been made on the ground that freeing Okamoto would inspire the Red Army and other terrorist groups and that the propriety of the decision was questionable under international law.

Okamoto arrived in Tripoli wearing fresh battle fatigues and a Palestinian scarf after changing out of the Red shirt and beige trousers he had worn on arrival in Switzerland for the exchange of prisoners.

An official of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine general command in Tripoli told the Japanese chargé d'affaires that Okamoto would rest in Libya for a week, then leave with the other Palestinians for Syria.

The Japanese national police agency, meanwhile, has issued a warrant for his arrest and alerted Interpol. According to Japanese law, Okamoto could be brought back to Japan and tried for the murder of the 26, mainly Puerto Ricans, who died at Lod. In practice it will be difficult to get him back. Japan has no extradition treaty with any Middle East country, even if one was willing to hand him over, which seems unlikely.

Okamoto has always been an heroic symbol to the other 16 members of the Red Army still at large, most of them in the Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon, where Okamoto will most probably now go. How effective he will be is open to question. When interviewed by an Israeli newspaper about two months ago he seemed barely in touch with reality and Japanese diplomats have cast doubt on his mental state.

Although the Red Army has been quiet of late, Japanese embassies in Asia have been on alert for the two years ready for a new incident. Two years ago the Red Army was seeking new recruits in Japan. Whether they were successful remains unclear but the group probably still has funds remaining from the large amount paid out by the Japanese Government to free the passengers of a jet hijacked in 1977.

UK submarine design rejected by Australians

By Rodney Cowton Defence Correspondent

Australia announced yesterday that it had shortlisted a West German and a Swedish design in a competition to supply it with six submarines in a project likely to cost more than £1,000 million.

The decision to proceed to the "project definition" stage with the two designs came as a big disappointment to Vickers, of Barrow-In-Furness. which had offered an adaptation of the Royal Navy's new Type 2400 Upholder class of diesel-powered submarine.

Mr Frank Noah, commercial director of Vickers, said that though the West German and Swedish designs had reached the project definition stage it did not mean they would necessarily win production contracts.

Vickers would welcome the opportunity to show the Australians the Type 2400 when in operation, before they signed contracts for the West Germam amd Swedish "paper" designs.

Submarine experts were astonished by the Australian decision: the West German and Swedish vessels were unlikely to be adopted by their own navies,

The Australian decision is a double defeat for Britain, which also failed to be selected as one of the two candidates for more study to provide the combat system for the boats.

Victims of war: Palestinian refugees huddling in a basement shelter at Chatila camp, west Beirut, yesterday as fighting continued between PLO guerrillas and Shia militiamen.

Superpowers agree to expand trade

From Richard Owen Moscow

The two superpowers reached broad but limited agreement on boosting economic relations yesterday, but Mr Malcolm Baldrige, the US Commerce Secretary, cautioned against expecting any big upturn in trade.

"It was a good start, but there are still a lot of problems", Mr Baldrige said after the two-day talks with the veteran Soviet Foreign Trade Minister, Mr Nikolai Patolichev, the highest-level commercial encounter between the two countries since 1978.

A fundamental change in trade relations could come only if there were parallel improvements in other areas, he said.

Mr Baldrige made it clear that there had been no discussion of strategic or military sensitive goods but said the talks had produced a number of minor changes for the better.

The most significant appeared to be Moscow's undertaking to inform all Soviet foreign trade companies to examine US trade offers on purely economic grounds and leave aside politics.

"I believe this action will do much to encourage US companies that they will will find improved access to Soviet markets," Mr Baldrige said, adding that Soviet organizations has signed contracts with US companies worth more than $40 million (£30.5 million) since lower-level talks in January.

"We will see an increase in trade, but I don't think we should expect a major increase, a kind of one-day turnover," he said.

Rig rescue: Divers cutting through the hull of an oil drilling barge which capsized off the New Orleans coast yesterday to reach two trapped crewmen. Two men drowned and 10 others were plucked from the water.

France may have two commercial TV channels

From Diana Geddes Paris

There is at present room for only one or two commercial television channels in France, in addition to the three existing state-run channels and one pay-TV channel, according to a Government-sponsored report on the future of television broadcasting in France.

The report, by M Jean-Denis Bredin, a lawyer and former vice-president of the centre-left Mouvements des Radicaux de Gauche party, was commissioned by the Government after President Mitterrand's announcement in January that he intended to break the 36-year state monopoly on television by allowing the creation of private channels.

The announcement caused a flurry of excitement and a stream of applications for licences to set up commercial television companies. More than 340 applications have been received to date.

But those who had been hoping for a thorough change in the French television system will be disappointed by the regorous conditions and restrictions which surround the report's proposals for deregulation, and by the fact that it *leaves intact the three state-owned channels.*

At present, France has the technical capacity to enable only two new television channels to transmit to 17 million people, the report says, though their transmission range could be increased to cover the whole of the population once the telecommunications satellite TDF1 comes into operation in mid-1986.

The report suggests that the new national channels be restricted to broadcasting between the hours of 7.30pm and 9am so as to allow local commercial television room to transmit on the same frequencies between 9am and 7.30pm. The creation of about 60 local commercial channels is envisaged.

In order to help ensure the commercial viability of the new channels, the report suggests thatthe amount of advertising on the three stae-owned channels be frozen at its present level, and that the law banning certain types of advertising from television be relaxed so as to allow the advertising, for example, of real estate or distribution services.

20,000 Tamils face expulsion from 'separatist hide-out' area

From Michael Hamlyn, Colombo

A harsh proposal that will deliberately make refugees of more than 20,000 Tamils is being put forward by the Sri Lankan armed forces as part of the stiffening of security after the Anuradhapura massacre.

A government source said the proposal is to clear a whole district between the northern town of Vavaniya and Anuradhapura itself. It is the area around the little town of Chattikulam, where 20,700 Tamils make their homes. Only Tamils live there and three-quarters of the families have been in the district for a long time.

Under a notice given to the assistant government agent in charge of the area, they will all have to go north.

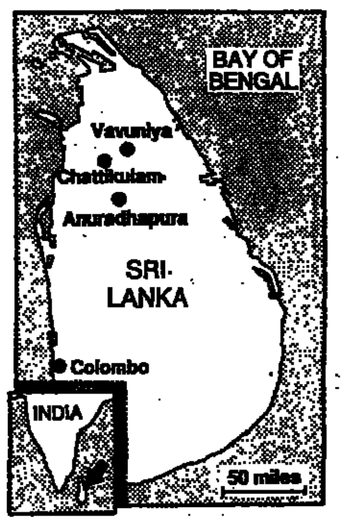
The armed forces say the area has become a terrorist hide-out, and they need a free-fire zone there. The country's Security Council has approved the decision, but the Vavuniya government agent has protested at the inhumanity of it. The issue is to be raised in the Cabinet today.

It is by far the largest movement of people yet undertaken by government forces. A number were moved from their homes in the Mullaittivu district last year after attacks on Sinhalese fishermen.

In another development, *Buddhist leaders, startled into* action by the attack on the shrine at Anuradhapura, proposed talks to solve the ethnic crisis. They have also said security should be stepped up.

Though it was the conservatism of the Buddhist clergy which was largely to blame for the failure of last year's all-party talks to grant sufficient concessions to the Tamil community to settle the crisis, the religious leaders hav proposed talks, with the Tamils, with the Indian Government, with refugees, and with separatist organizations and the government of the Indian state of Tamil Nadu.

They have also proposed the setting up of a national security advisory and co-ordinating committee, which would function under a council of Buddhist *mahanayake theros*, roughly the equivalent of bishops, and include members of all political parties.



The committee would sit alongside the national security officials in premises and with staff provided by the Government, and would "recommend suitable steps" to protect the country from all internal and external terrorist attack.

The proposals were put forward at a meeting called at the weekend by one of the two most senior *mahanayake theros*, the Venerable Palipane Chandananda, *mahanayake* of the Asigiriya chapter of the Buddhist priesthood. He was joined by the other top cleric, the *mahanayake* of the Malwatta, the Venerable Srimalwatta Ananda.

The meeting, held in Kandy, the seat of both chapters, was attended by leaders of the principal opposition parties, including Mrs Sirimavo Bandaranaike, the former prime minister and leader of the Sirimavo Freedom Party. Though a member of the ruling United National Party was also invited, he declined to attend.

Evidently deciding that the Government was being upstaged by the Buddhist high priests, President Jayewardene has called his own meeting, for today, *heads of all the main* religions in the country.

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Honduran quest for security

Reassuring words for Suazo

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

President Reagan yesterday reaffirmed US commitment to the security of Honduras, the impoverished little republic that is uncomfortably in the centre of the US battle against the leftist Government in Nicaragua.

Presient Roberto Suazo Cordova had talks, then lunch, at the White House yesterday with President Reagan in the hope of getting a formal undertaking that the US would intervene if Nicaragua were invaded. Instead he got a symbolically important form of words, but not the specific security arrangement he had sought.

President Reagan made it clear that the US remains committed to Honduran security through the mutual assistance pact, known as the Rio Treaty. He gave fulsome, though generalized, assurances that the United States would not stand idly by if Honduras encountered serious hostilities from its southern neighbour.

Honduras is a key country in the US strategy against the Sandinista regime. There are almost continuous US military manoeuvres in Honduras. Its tiny coffee-and-banana economy is held afloat by the US.

The Nicaraguan Democratic Force, the main anti-Sandinista guerrilla group, operates out of Honduras. Administration officials concede that the Honduran military is clamping down on the guerrillas in an apparent attempt to reduce border hostilities between the rebels and Sandinista troops.

Tension along the border has increased dramatically recently. US officials say the main guerrilla camp, known as Las Vegas, about four miles inside Honduras, has been abandoned by most guerrillas – partly because Honduras wanted to move it away from the border region, and partly because the guerrillas themselves decided that it was too vulnerable to Nicaraguan shelling.

The White House believes the congressional refusal to help to finance the guerrillas lies at the heart of the Honduran unease. Honduras would pay a high social price if the 15,000-man guerrilla force fell apart.

Mr Reagan assured President Suazo that the mood on Capitol Hill appeared to have changed and that Congress might shortly approve an immediate $14 million (£10.8 million) of non-military aid to the guerrillas. In the longer-term, however, he was unable to offer any written pledge.

The US is worried that Honduran pressure on the guerrillas to move back from the border will weaken the rebels' campaign. Señor Carlos Tunnerman, the Nicaraguan Ambassador to the US, told *The Times* that Sandinista forces had driven most of the guerrillas back into Honduras, but that there were still areas of "counter-revolutionary" activity inside Nicaragua.

Electoral reforms avert constitutional crisis

From Alan Tomlinson, Tegucigalpa

Political parties and trade unions in Honduras reached a compromise solution to a two-month-old constitutional crisis yesterday, averting a general strke. The signed document agreeing to electorial reforms and the restructuring of the Supreme Court, which will allow candidates chosen by the numerous factions of the parties to stand for the presidency at general elections in November.

The accord was reached in 10 hours of talks between most of the belligerent groups in the dispute at a meeting which took place, symbolically as well as for privacy, in the officers' club at the air force base on the *outskirts of the capital.* One leftist politician noted that th crucial intervention of the armed forces in settling the crisis showed that they were still the dominant factor in Honduran politics, despite four years of civilian rule.

But the two main parties seemed content. "This is a very satisfactory deal", said a leading Liberal, Señor Efrain Bu Girón. "There have been neither winners nor losers". said Señor Ricardo Zúñiga Augustinus, a prominent nationalist.

The most immediate consequence of the deal will be released from prison after 53 days of Señor Ramon Valladares, who was arrested on a charge of treason after the Congress named him head of the Supreme court in a challenge to the authority of President Roberto Suazo Córdova.

The unions, which supported dissident politicians seeking to prevent the President from imposing his own successor on the country, had threatened to go on strike this week unless the *crisis was settled in their* favour. They are also seeking greater participation in future political decisions.

The crisis was resolved in the absence of President Suazo and the head of the armed forces, General Walter Lopez, who were in Washington for talks yesterday with President Reagan. But the basis for agreement had been reached before they left on Sunday.

Howe warming to 'Eureka'

From Our Own Correspondent, Paris

A shift in the British position of the "Eureka" project to more positive suport for the French initiative on European cooperation in space and high-technology research was made clear here yesterday by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, in talks with M Roland Dumas, *his French counterpart.*

Britain seemed cool towards the project when it was announced by the French last month, but now appears to have been convinced in recent bilateral discussions with the French that Europe must do something to counter the Japanese and American technological challenge and the "Eureka" *might provide the practical* way forward.

Sir Geoffrey indicated to M Dumas that Britain would be happy to see the setting up of a group of experts from interested countries with a view to examining how the ideas of Europe could be taken forward.

Sir Geoffrey was in Paris for the regular meeting between French and British foreign ministers

Deal signed to double Pepsi sales in Russia

Moscow (AP) – Pepsico Inc and the Soviet Government yesterday signed a new trade agreement expected to double production and sales of Pepsi-Cola in the Soviet Union over the next five years.

The agreement runs until 1990 and expands a previous arrangement for the exchange marketing of Pepsi-Cola in the Soviet Union and Stolichnaya vodka in the United States. It follows last week's drastic measures to cut the high level of drunkenness in the Soviet Union.

Retail sales of Pepsi-Cola in the Soviet Union are about $200 million (£156 million) annually, and US sales of Stolichnaya about half that, Pepsico chief executive, Mr Donald Kendall, said.

Promotion for Caledonia envoy

Paris (AP) – M Laurent Fabius, the French Prime Minister, has promoted M Edgard Pisani, the Government's High Commissioner and special envoy in the troubled Pacific territory of New Caledonia, to the rank of Minister for New Caledonia. His replacement is M Ferrand Wibaux, until recently ambassador to Lebanon.

In a separate move, M Fabius promoted Mme Yvette Roudy from junior minister to full Minister for the Rights of Women.

Spain to unveil Picasso work

Madrid – A bronze statue more than six feet tall, which the late Pablo Picasso dedicated to the Spanish republic but has seldom been exhibited, goes on public display tomorrow for the first time in Spain (Harry Debelius writes).

"The Offering Lady", also known as "The Woman With a Vase", was first displayed at the 1937 exposition in Paris. It was returned to Spain after negotiations with the artist's family.

Iran bombed

Teheran (AFP) – Iraq resumed bombing raids against civilian targets in Iran with attacks on the industrial zone of Ahwaz, in Khuzestan province and two oilfields in Lorestan province, the Iran news agency reported.

Famine exodus

Nairobi Ethopian refugees have began an exodus from camps in Sudan to their homes in Teigré province, the High Commission for Refugees said. About 35,000 men, women and children have set off so far.

Killer cure

Melbourne (Reuter) – A three-year-old girl has died after her parents put her on a water-only diet for a month in the belief it would wash away a cold, police said.

Travolta protest

John Travolta the actor and the jazz musician Chick Corea joined an estimated 1,000 members of the Church of Scientology protesting against a courts, $38 million (30 millon) damages judgement against the church. "I've been a Scientologist for 10 years now," Travolta said.

Kabul blasts

Islamabad. (Reuter) – At least six people were killed when bombers broke up an army conscription drive in Kabul and attacked a billiard hall frequented by secret police, Western diplomats said.

Visa retribution

Frankfurt (AFP) – Three Russian Baptists who applied for emigration visas to West Germany have been sentenced to up to three years in a Soviet disciplinary camp, the International Human Rights Society said.

Finn visitor

Mr Kalevi Sorsa, the Prime Minister of Finland, arrived in London yesterday for a two-day visit during which he will meet Mrs Thatcher and open the "Sea Finland" exhibition at the National Maritime Museum.

Hot night

Peking (AP) – A Shanghai worker who asked a hospital for medicine to help him sleep received a bottle of sulphuric acid and was in a critical condition with severe burns on his face, throat and stomach lining, a Chinese newspaper reported.

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Warsaw Pact could win on land 'within 15 years'

From Frederick Bonnart, Brussels

Soviet conventional forces will be able with hope of success to launch a full-scale surprise attack on Nato within 15 years, it is claimed in a secret report, agreed by the top military commanders of all members of the Alliance to be considered by Nato defence ministers in Brussels today.

The report is a commissioned assessment of the threats to Western security over the next 20 years, and the measures needed to counter them.

According to a senior Nato military source yesterday: "The Soviet Union has initiated measures which could, probably will, lead within a time-span of 15 years to the capability which they think is nesessary to challenge the conventional *military strength of Nato* without necessarily taking the risk of escalation".

Such an attack, he said, could follow "An ambiguous or very, very short warning", making it impossible for the Alliance to mobilize its forces in time.

General Cornelius de Jager, chairman of the Military Committee, told a press conference that the gap between Nato and the Warsaw Pact forces was continuing to increase, mainly because modernization of equipment was raising the number of weapons systems with Soviet forward forces.

The report is to become known in Nato jargon as the Conceptual Military Framework (CMF) and is to provide Nato and national military planners with guidelines into the next century. Modern technology is seen as central in keeping Nato ahead of the *Warsaw pact. The report will* help defence ministers to plan procurement of costly defence systems within a tight budget.

Divided WEU puts off Star Wars discussion

Paris (AFP) – The Western European Union decision to abstain from officially discussing the controversial US Star Wars programme at its session here has created a stormy debate on the sidelines of the assembly.

The WEU defence committee voted before the session opened on Monday to postpone until the December session any discussion of a report by Mr Harry van den Bergh, a Dutch Labour MP, on the US Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

The contents of the report are not yet known and no official explanation has been offered for the postponement.

MPs from the seven WEU member countries were expected this week to try to coordinate their response to the US project.

Observers here saw the decision as evidence of the continuing serious differences which prevented WEU defence and foreign ministers from drafting a joint response to SDI at a meeting in Bonn last month.

Mr van den Bergh, who said he felt the Europeans should give priority to a common technological research programme before any participation in SDI, denounced the Commission's refusal as "totally incomprehensible".

He also asserted that it deprived of credibility recent WEU pledges to "reactivate" the assembly, which is the sole European organization with jurisdiction over defence matters.

The WEU, which comprises Belgium, Britain, France, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands and West Germany, has been largely dormant for the past three decades, and there is now a move within the body to reactivate it.

Austria buys Saab jets

From Richard Bassett, Vienna

Austria took a long-awaited if controversial step towards improving her defences when a contract was signed yesterday with the Swedish group, SAAB, for 24 Draken interceptors. The jets, the first to be delivered in 1987, will be expected to police Austrian air-space for 10 years.

The decision to purchase the aircraft announced earlier this year, has provoked protests from pacifist and opposition groups. Nine thousand people demonstrated at the weekend in Styria, where the jets will be based.

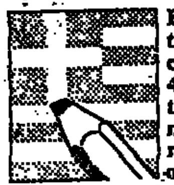
The decision has also angered Swedish military experts in the Austrian defence ministry, who are believed to have favoured the purchase of British Lightnings. Although the model is as old as the Draken, the British plane is considered better.

Although the jets will cost only about £90 million, there is considerable opposition in Austria to money being spent on defence. This body would appear to have influenced the Government to purchase jets from a neutral country. Austria's eastern neighbours warned her last year that they would view with misgiving the purchase of jets from a Nato country and pressure from this quarter would also appear to be behind the Swedish choice.

Greek battle for votes: 3

Communist hopes hinge on a hung parliament

Mario Modiano discusses the prospects for the Communists in this final article of his three-part series on the election campaign.



For the first time since the civil war some 40 years ago, the Greek communists have a real possibility of power if the June 2 elections produce a hung parliament.

Barring surprises, the new voting system makes it hard for either of the two main parties, the Pasok socialists and the New Democracy conservatives, to win an overall majority in the new 300-seat parliament.

So the main aim of the campaign launched by the pro-Soviet Communist Party of Greece (KKE) is a substantial increase in its traditional share of the electorate, which ranges between 11 and 12 per cent, to force the ruling socialists into partnership.

The KKE accuses Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime Minister, of coming to power in 1981 on a platform of radical change, then, after taking a few positive measures, reverting to policies which have left the country dependent on the West and at the mercy of the local oligarchy.

The party is urging voters if they want "real change" to deny Pasok a working majority and compel it to fall back on KKE support to remain in power.

Mr Harilaos Florakis, party leader and Secretary-General of the Central Committee, says the KKE is ready to support a Pasok government provided it agrees on a minimum common programme to resolve the problems of the economy, of national independence and of democracy.

The KKE wants Greece out of Nato and the European Community, as well as the removal of US bases and nuclear arms. But it seems ready to negotiate a "reasonable" timetable for such drastic steps.

One demand on which the KKE would be adamant is the return of the proportional representation system to end the monopoly of power the two big parties secured for themselves by "putting the Left in quarantine".

Under the simple PR system, the KKE parliamentary seats could be increased from 13 to 35. Furthermore, the other parties could not win single-handed unless they polled 50 per cent or more of the national vote.

The Communist voice in Greece would have been far more audible if the party had not split in 1968 in the wake of the Czechoslovak crisis. The dissidents set up the so-called "KKE of the Interior" and pursued a Eurocommunist line.

Efforts to reunify the party stumbled on differences of dogma and over the title of the breakaway group, but in the European elections a year ago the Euro-communists, who mainly appeal to the intelligentsia, won 3.4 per cent of the vote, largely thanks to their charismatic leader, Mr Leonidas Kyrkos.

Pasok's efforts to frighten the Communist voter into supporting it or taking the risk of a right-wing backlash, is likely to take its toll on both. But the polarization is forcing the smaller left and centre parties to huddle for survival under the wing of the two giants.

One extreme right-wing party, the National Political Union (EPEN) which calls the jailed former dictator, Mr George Papadopoulos, its leader, decided to stand alone on a platform centred on the release of the junta leaders from prison. It has one deputy in the European Parliament.

In all, of the about 700 political parties registered with the Greek Supreme Court, only 16 are taking part in the June 2 election, including a group with the archaic name of Olympic Democracy.

Concluded

Carrington's balancing act

Man of influence but no power

From Ian Murray and Frederick Bonnart Brussels

Lord Carrington, as he freely admits, is a man without power. As Secretary-General of Nato, he claims only to have influence. But it is a very powerful influence.

For those who work there his presence pervades and brightens the drab corridors of the Brussels headquarters. Ten months after taking office, the honeymoon period continues and it is difficult to find anyone with a bad word to say about him.

His arrival last June was like a breath of fresh air. Morale within Nato itself was not high, partly due to the way his predecessor worked. Dr Joseph Luns operated almost in isolation from the rest of the secretariat, relying mainly on his private office. There was no playback between the crew and the captain, and the crew seemed not entirely sure of where the ship was going.

From the moment he arrived, Lord Carrington set about bringing everyone into what was going on. Memos began moving back and forth, up and down the command structure. He would start an inquiry and send back his thanks – or criticisms – when the answer came. A sense of teamwork and personal involvement began to creep in. Voluntary overtime became more and more frequent.

Lord Carrington: Breath of fresh air at Nato HQ

The short final communiqué which will be agreed by this week's meeting of Nato defence ministers here will prove by its concise style that a new hand is at the helm.

The subjects under negotiation within the Alliance are being moved on towards a solution. Vital if routine matters, such as ammunition supplies, hardening of aircraft shelters, training of reserves and co-operation in armaments production are no longer being kicked around in endless arguments. They have taken on a new sense of urgency.

With cruise and Pershing missiles being deployed when he arrived, one main controversy within the Alliance was out of the way, but the next – "Star Wars" – was just beginning. This is where he showed that he was far more than a public relations agent but, as one Nato ambassador said, "a highly political animal".

His speeches are strategically placed and carefully timed to have definite effects. He goes to great lengths to research his audience so that he knows just how to pitch what he has to say. The underlying message is always the same: the east and west pillars of the Atlantic together must support the Alliance.

He says this repeatedly and courageously at the risk of being identified by Europeans as an American lap-dog. He supports Star Wars research and points out that offensive and defensive weapons cannot be considered in isolation.

He is now concentrating his speeches on hammering home the warning that "Moscow gives every sign of wanting to play the Strategic Defence Initiative for all it may be worth as a way of splitting the Alliance". The United States must act "with the firm and visible support of its European allies", he insists.

He is very frank with Washington about European requirements, but he also firmly believes that "Europe *wants to get its act together*".

Mr David Absigire, the US Nato Ambassador, summed him up recently as "a man around whom you can build excitement and expectation". That fits with the Secretary-General's own view of his role as that of a catalyst.

The chemicals he is working with, however, are varied and volatile. It takes all Lord Carrington's powers of influence to control their inter-reaction.

Paris deals young a trump card

From Diana Geddes Paris

For less than £5, a new "youth card" will be available in France from the beginning of next month enabling anyone under the age of 26, including foreigners, to benefit from a wide range of impressive reductions covering travel, lodging, restaurants, culture, sport, insurance and even computers.

The yellow plastic card, costing 50 francs (£4.10) for one year, will be on sale from June 3 at 6,000 outlets throughout France, including tourist offices, certain banks, town halls, and youth information centres. A free guide will be provided with the card giving more than 4,000 addresses where the benefits are available.

The reductions range from 10 per cent on cetain electronic goods and computers to free entry at publicly owned theatres, museums, libraries and certain cinema clubs.

All the benefits at present enjoyed only by students will now be available to any young person. During the summer vacation university lodgings will be made available to youth card holders at a cost of 35 francs a night.

Reductions for young people of up to 30 per cent are being offered by some hotel chains, for organized holidays in France and abroad. Camp sites too will be cheaper for card-holders.

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Only the Italians rise to Rossini's patter

La Cenerentola
Glyndebourne

Spectacular popinjay: Alessandro Corbelli with Marta Taddei (left) and Laura Zannini

This year Glyndebourne is riding, as well it might, on the wave of recent successes, and the production of *La Cenerentola* that opened the festival on Monday is the oldest we shall see, even though it was introduced only two years ago. Then it was sheer delight, and visually it still is. Allen Charles Klein sets the opera in a toy theatre of cardboard cut-out scenery and false perspectives, peopled by *café au lait* cavaliers who are at once childlike and decadent: it is a combination of qualities eminently suited to Rossini, and a third essential, wit, is well provided in John Cox's production, revived by Andy Hinds.

Musically, however, the evening is less uniformly brilliant than before. The only survivors from the 1983 cast are Marta Taddei and Laura Zannini, who repeat their comic double act as the ugly sisters: Miss Taddei looking a little like Queen Anne and sounding creamy, while Miss Zannini is a scatty urchin with a more acid edge to her voice. Both have a command of the abundant patter that is matched only by the other Italians on stage.

Of these, Alessandro Corbelli makes a striking house début as Dandini, being at once strong and suave of voice, beautifully sure of himself, and highly-skilled at using his small stature to play the popinjay the more effectively. Sesto Bruscantini will be remembered by older patrons as the Dandini of the previous production, back in the 1950s. He now returns as a splendid Don Magnifico, whose voice equals the expressiveness of his eyes: they can stare out in disbelief and astonishment, light up with sudden and, alas, momentary understanding, or, most usually, hang down at the corners like those of a much put-upon dog.

The new Cinderella is Carolyn Watkinson, who has sung the role on tour. She lacks somewhat the attention-grabbing presence of Kathleen Kuhlmann, who returns to the part later in the season, substituting a natural sound and a shy, pathetic interpretation accentuated by her pallid make-up. Indeed, she finds it hard to sustain a note in the middle register without opening up a gulf of melancholy, and so one is never very convinced that she has come out on top. There is also the difficulty of her awkwardness in *fioritura* and in sudden high notes, which again robs her last aria of climactic exultation.

Robert Gambill, as the prince, also has vocal problems. In the upper register, his tone thins, becoming almost *falsetto* above the stave, and he, too, finds it hard to negotiate all the bubbling ornamentation of Rossini's lines. Willard White as Alidoro, however, shows a good feeling for the style, lightening his rounded sonority without losing his authority. He also looks quite properly like the real monarch of these machinations: a Landian bishop with the head of a black lion.

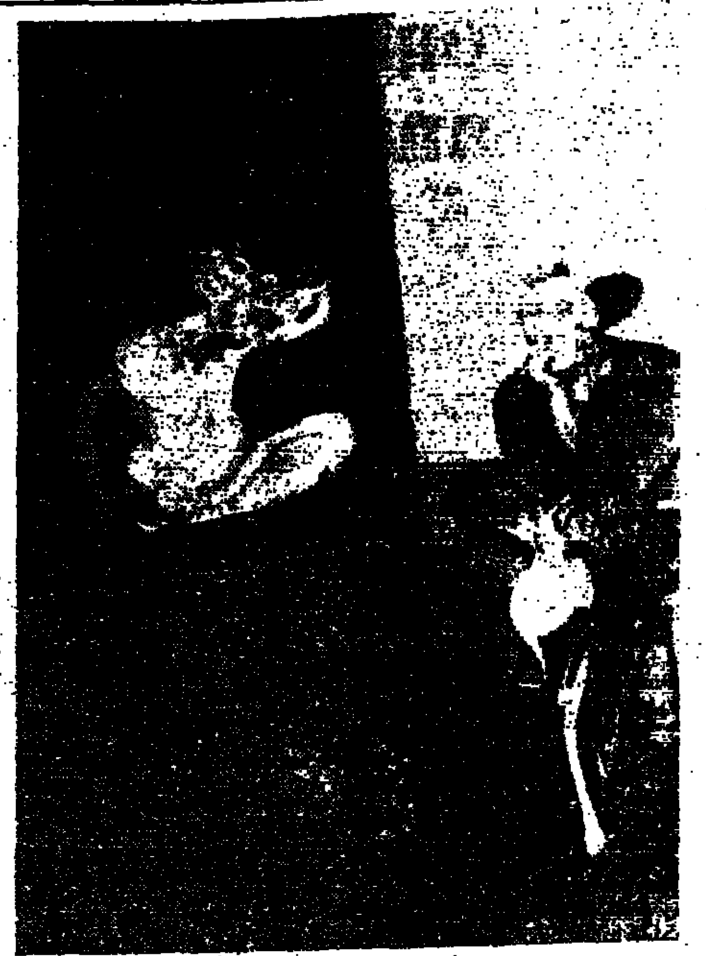
There is not the same immediate leadership from the pit. The London Philharmonic have not yet settled into their summer home, and James Judd is not everywhere successful in realizing the same tempo on the stage as in the orchestra.

Paul Griffiths

Galleries

John Russell Taylor assesses the new Francis Bacon show at the Tate

A master of deep disquiet


Existential unease in Bacon's *Two Studies for a Portrait of George Dyer* (1968)

None should guess more accurately than Francis Bacon, inveterate gambler that in private life he is, the risks attached to a major retrospective. Though sometimes – very occasionally – retrospectives enhance an artist's reputation, much more frequently they reduce it by a species of overkill, showing us the weak points we might barely guess at seeing works one by one or in small and carefully selected groups. The recent London shows devoted to Renoir and Chagall enjoyed record attendances, but then so do some bullfights, and the motivation of those attending may well be somewhat similar: the desire to observe a battle against overwhelming odds; the unadmitted hope of being in at the kill.

All the same, Bacon has taken the challenge, accepting that the chances are against him: the big show (120 paintings) at the Tate Gallery until August 18 is even the second he has had there.

For Bacon, who does not produce drawings or graphics, works almost always on a large scale and is not in any case enormously prolific, it amounts to putting the major part of his surviving work since 1944 on show: despite his own statements that he "regrets" two important groups, the screaming popes and the Van Gogh cycle, and rumours that he hoped they might not be included, they are still there. With the same mixture of openness and impregnable mystery of motivation which governs his publication of his private life, he has elected to go for broke, permit himself artistically to be totally known (or at least totally observed), and take the consequences.

The gamble pays magnificently. Though we may be left asking ourselves, with one of Pinter's heroes, "What have I seen, the scum or the essence?", the show leaves little room for doubt that we are in the presence of a very great painter indeed. The analogy with Pinter, once invoked, will not go away. Their imaginative worlds are similarly haunted, their artistic means as meticulous, the ultimate sources of their inspiration as obscure – even, one suspects, to themselves – and the climate of violence which pervades their work is created or re-created with the same total urbanity of expression, not a word or a brush-stroke too many, nothing anywhere which is slapdash or arbitrary.

Bacon has spoken of the violence in his work as "suggestions within the image itself which can only be conveyed through paint", and disassociated himself from the expressionists who use paint itself in a violent way: what one feels looking at this extraordinary succession of painted images is not a simple physical revulsion, but a nagging existential unease impossible either to explain or to shrug off.

If we say that the show is profoundly disturbing we must give equal weight to the adverb and the adjective. The terrors of Bacon's vision are buried deep within the image, and out of them a terrible beauty is born. Bacon has sometimes been suspected of being merely provocative and perverse when he rhapsodizes about the beautiful colours of meat in a butcher's shop, but here one can see and feel precisely what he means: like all great artists he re-educates us as we go along, drawing us inexorably into his world, to see things through his eyes.

One might expect such a parade of horrors and deformations to anaesthetize our responses – especially since Bacon's repertoire of motifs is relatively small and his style shows little evolution during the last 30 years, since the Van Gogh series in the mid-Fifties. But, as with all truly obsessive artists, a species of telepathy plays a very important role in the way we react: the quality of his emotion face-to-face with his canvas somehow dictates the quality of ours. And there are surprisingly few works here where the emotion seems to become merely a conditioned reflex: a few painted in the middle Seventies, perhaps, but if so there is a remarkable recovery in his work of the Eighties, dominated by a series of "landscapes" without or minimizing the human figure: the first *Sand Dune* (1981), for instance, with its subterraneous suggestions of flesh as well as impersonal place, is one of the most astonishing and disturbing images even he has ever produced.

And, if there is an element of anaesthesia, it is of a very different and beneficent sort. It gradually lulls us into acceptance of the pain and the horror of the images, but only to sharpen and liberate our aesthetic perceptions. Bacon is one of the century's great colourists, and there is nothing this most painterly of painters does not know about how to apply pigment to canvas for maximum effect. He is right: raw meat is beautiful. Our acceptance of this modifies and enlarges our sensibilities in a way that no other painter has been able to do since the first Cubist revolution. Go by any means to see the show: you may hate every moment, but I can guarantee that you will never be quite the same again.

Theatre

Asserting nature's primacy

Woyzeck
Almeida

Rounding off the Leicester Haymarket Studio season, this production of *Woyzeck* is an interesting event but not at all what you might suppose from advance testimonials to its psychological penetration.

Far from taking you inside the head of Büchner's hero, Les Waters's production presents him strictly as a zero in the social equation, building up the odds against him so as to suggest that no matter who he may have been he would not have stood a chance of survival.

Woyzeck's masters are always giving him uplifting advice. Exercise will-power, they tell him; strive to acquire virtue, and don't rush about so much. Woyzeck's answer is always the same. Virtue and will-power are luxuries of the rich.

For "people like us" there is only nature, and it is the conspiracy of his social betters to take even that away from him. His time is not his own (he is always on duty); nor his woman; nor even his own body, which has been appropriated for medical research.

In pursuit of this well-judged view of the text, Mr Waters resorts to some extravagant underlining. To assert the primacy of nature, the whole performance is staged in the wood, and the opening scene with the Captain is displaced in favour of Woyzeck's doom-haunted conversation with Andres in preparation for the murder of Marie. The ensuing narrative unfolds in spasms of abrupt grotesque action, reaching a climax in a ghastly garrison dance backed with a blood-red cyclorama.

In a scene new to me, the corpses arrive on mortuary trollies for the doctor indignantly to berate the lifeless Woyzeck for having shed the blood that rightly belongs to him. Andres then returns to the scene of the crime and finds blood oozing from the earth.

It make a neatly compelling pattern. Büchner always invites directorial licence, and in the best production I have seen of this play Charles Marowitz took liberties far in excess of Mr Waters's version. The objection is simply that it sacrifices character to shape.

Bernard Strother, except in his speeches on nature, emerges as no more than an increasingly frantic victim, locked into servant and master routines, and barely relating to Hazel Ellerby's Marie.

As for the masters, Frank Baker (the Captain) and Linda Bassett (the Doctor) limit themselves to shows of status with authoritarian sneers and barked orders often in open contradiction of the relaxed paternalistic dialogue.

It is one of the bitter masterstrokes of this play that they are quite fond of Woyzeck, and are sorry to see him go. Played as they are here, character shrivels into self-incrimination. The style only succeeds in the case of Michael Mears's Drum Major, seducing Marie with an expertly phallic display of baton-twirling.

Irving Wardle

Cannes Film Festival

The main awards at Cannes, as reported in yesterday's later editions, were:

Palme d'Or: *Daddy's on a Business Trip* (Emir Kusturica, Yugoslavia)
Grand Prix of the Jury: *Colonel Redl* (István Szábo, Hungary)
Special Grand Prix of the Jury: *Birdy* (Alan Parker, USA)
Best Actor: William Hurt (*Kiss of the Spider Woman*, Brazil)
Best Actress: Cher (*Mask*, USA), Norma Aleandro (*Official History*, Argentina)
Best Direction: André Techiné (*Rendez-vous*, France)
Best Artistic Contribution: Paul Schrader (*Mishima*, USA)
Technicians' Prize: Nicholas Roeg (*Insignificance*, GB)
International Critics' Prize: *Daddy's on a Business Trip* (Kusturica); *Purple Rose of Cairo* (Woody Allen, USA)
International Trophy for Life's Work: James Stewart.

London début

There are numerous possible ways of seating a wind quintet, and at the Wigmore Hall the Lyric Wind Ensemble demonstrated perhaps the worst permutation. Bassoonist and horn player (admittedly a fine one, Susan Dent) occupied the prominent end-seats; the flautist was tucked out of sight, and sometimes hearing. Whether this accounted for the lack of caprice in Ibert's normally ebullient *Trois Pieces brèves* one could not say. There were also some inaccuracies in the difficult passage-work.

Matters improved markedly when the sure-fingered Malaysian pianist Yeoh Ean Mei joined the winds, for the Mozart Quintet, K452, Poulenc's Sextet and Madeleine Dring's Trio for flute, oboe and piano – this last brimming with musical in-jokes. Miss Mei's presence seemed to bring more muscle to the interpretations, dispelling the notion that the players were taking the line of least resistance through the music. Without her they did catch some of the quirky folksiness of Ligeti's early Six Bagatelles, however, even if the rhythmic ingenuities caused a few ensemble problems.

Richard Morrison

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Dance

Merce Cunningham
Sadler's Wells

Two more works given by Merce Cunningham's company on Monday brought the total for their London season to 10, being given in four programmes for the rest of the week. Since the emphasis in Cunningham's recent creations is on abstract dance patterns, one welcomes the hints of drama in *Native Green* even it its nature is deliberately occult.

The initial grouping of three couples suggests expectancy, their subsequent circlings contain a curious birdlike head movement for one of the men, and at the end they pick up a long flexible pipe from the floor and clutch at it as if for support.

John King's music is played on a small bowed instrument, but by the time it has passed through the battery of wires and keyboards in the pit it sounds more like a steelyard.

Even in this work, the real interest lies in the quality of movement. Cunningham finds a slightly different manner for each work, and his dancers have marvellous control and energy, especially well shown in *Trails*, where one dance episode succeeds another, to John Cage's *Instances of Silence*, like a modern-dance equivalent of *Aurora's Wedding*, all pure display.

In the days when Cunningham presented a varied repertory with comic, dramatic or lyric pieces as well as straight dancing, it was easier for a new audience to follow him. To take in the present, almost entirely abstract repertory with the concentration its individual works demand is exhausting, and in the circumstances the vociferous enthusiasm of his audiences is impressive.

The season marks the twenty-first anniversary of Cunningham's first London visit. In another 21 years he will still be younger than Martha Graham is now; what changes might we see then?

Best to catch his present phase while it is here. And, for anyone who cannot manage all four programmes, *Pictures* (given tonight and Friday) is the new work most people seem to have liked best.

John Percival

Concert

Maurizio Pollini
Festival Hall

Schoenberg makes sense. That obvious proposition is still continually contradicted not only by the reassertion of prejudice but also by the aural evidence of far too many performances; it is nowhere more tellingly proved than in Pollini's piano playing.

In his hands, the tiniest fragment of Schoenberg can sound as supple, as powerful, as wildly expressive and as intensely moving as a whole Mahler symphony. The parallel is apt, for this recital (which also included Berg and Beethoven) was Pollini's contribution to the present "Mahler, Vienna and the Twentieth Century" festival. Nothing in the three sets of Schoenberg pieces he played was more telling than the tiny 10-bar fragment which ends Op 19 – which Schoenberg wrote after hearing of Mahler's death.

Fragment is a silly word for music at once so perfectly whole and so substantial as this: Pollini made the repeated three-note chord an ethereal, far-off funeral bell, with its companion three-note chord chiming like a desolate echo beneath it. The music concentrated itself into an anguished single-line lament, just five notes long; a strict gesture to bring back the music's pulse; and then, a final echo of the chords, as Schoenberg wrote (and Pollini realized quite perfectly until the very last note into inaudibility) "like a breath".

Around this most Webern-like of Schoenberg's masterpieces, Pollini created marvels of feverish intensity and brooding gloom in the Op 11 pieces, and of brighter, more clearly articulated emotion in the Op 23 pieces. His touch, quite light in the treble, but darkly coloured in the alto and tenor registers, and precisely balanced in the bass, is ideal for this music. The little high flourishes in Op 11 No 2 can be thrown like stardust as the bass rumbles its *ostinato*. The yearning melody, which Pollini shapes as naturally as if it were Schubert, is given a tone-colour all its own (in Berg, however, the lack of real depth in the treble is more of a drawback, and deprives the climaxes of true warmth and weight). But in Pollini's Schoenberg every note is precisely in place, precisely understood and precisely communicated.

Nicholas Kenyon

Television

Savage treatment

John Pilger's role as the voice of conscience lends him a forbidding, almost a deterrent, aura: seeing him one knows one is sure to hear something disconcerting.

Last night in Central's The Secret Country: The First Australians he and his fellow-Australian, the director Alan Lowery, were in their own country and concerned about its first inhabitants, the Aborigines. Australia celebrates its bicentenary in 1988 and Messrs Pilger and Lowery were saying in good time that, in their treatment of the Aborigines, Australians had much to be ashamed about, not least the conspiracy of silence with which this part of their history has been surrounded.

Generations of Australians, said Mr Pilger, had indulged in a massacre as systematic as that of the Jews. The Aborigine had been regarded as sub-human, defined in an early encyclopedia as "an animal of prey". In fact the Aborigines were the prey and, as late as the Twenties, the shooting of 50 of them was officially pronounced justified.

In 1967, 90 per cent of Australians, the largest majority in any political poll, declared for justice for the black man. Though the population is now rising, and Aborigines have gained some rights and white support, Mr Pilger produced much evidence that progress was not as fast, or going as far, as it should.

The lands they had been given were deserts or wetlands and even there they were threatened by mining corporations and, in some cases, American defence installations. Mr Pilger was doubtful about the intentions of the present Prime Minister, Mr Bob Hawke.

At the 150th anniversary celebration, Aborigines were forced to re-enact the scenes that greeted Captain Arthur Phillip when he arrived with the first British fleet. It seems they cannot be forced into playing the role of "menacing savages" next time, which is perhaps some indication of progress.

Dennis Hackett

Pop music

Ashford & Simpson
Hammersmith Odeon

Since the songs they wrote in the 1960s for Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell put a patent on the genre, it was not surprising that when they turned to performing Nickolas Ashford and Valerie Simpson should become the most convincing claimants to the title "sweethearts of soul".

Partners both in the music room and in life for more than 20 years, they have progressed – if that is the word – from the spontaneous energy of the Motown factory to the calculated emotions of the designer cocktail bar. Like everybody, they have learnt that emotional reticence pays only a small dividend in the Eighties: whereas once they carved the subtle, affecting lyric of "Ain't Nothing Like the Real Thing", now they present the full-frontal display of "Is it Still Good to You?". And very well they do it, too.

Clad in the raiment of a sultan and a houri, golden strands and crushed-raspberry veils parting to reveal oiled flesh (and Ashford's tossing mane making him the most extraordinary sight soul music has offered since bald, bechained Isaac Hayes), they put on a excellent show, mightily assisted by a band including several of New York's highest-priced studio musicians, notably the energetic bass-guitarist Francisco Centeno and the discreet guitarist Andy Schwartz, whose phrases flashed like precious stones.

Starting at a point well over the top with the full-throttle quasi-gospel blast of "Found a Cure", they achieved the best balance of material and presentation with two of the best songs of their recent career, "It Seems to Hang On" and "High Rise", both benefitting from the kind of irresistible groove that keeps customers on the dance floor.

A medley of songs they wrote for Gaye and Terrell – "You're All I Need to Get By", "Your Precious Love" and "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" – was movingly dedicated to Gaye's memory, with the audience's noisy approval.

It seemed a shame, though, that they did not see fit to mention Miss Terrell, whose life was also prematurely terminated.

Richard Williams

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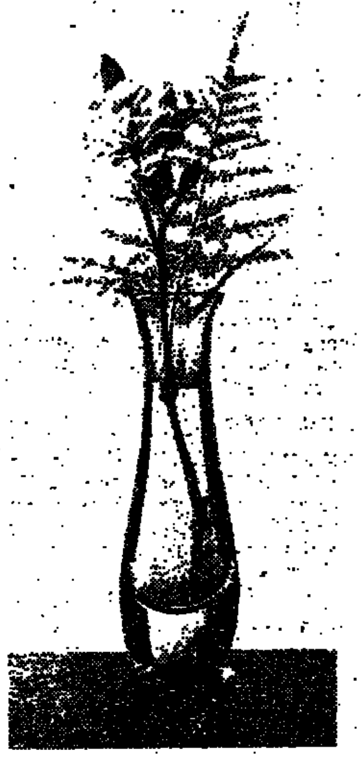

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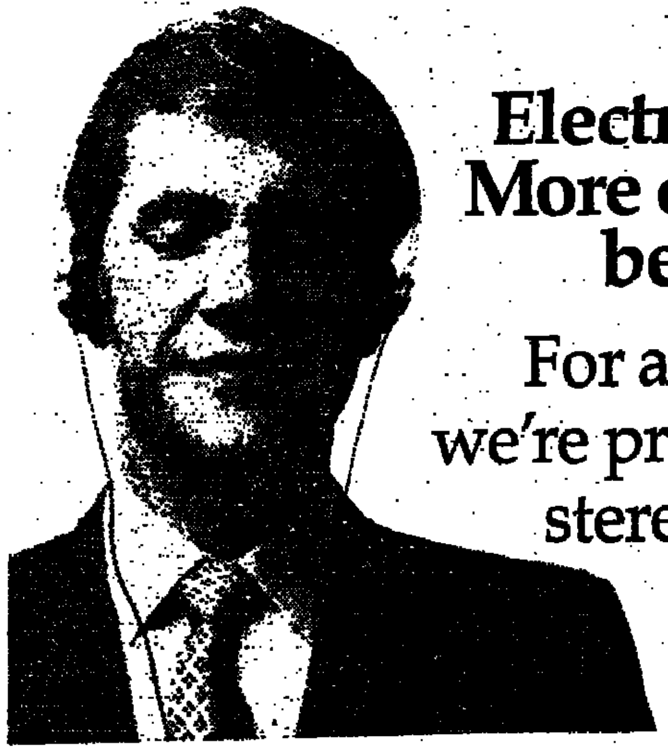

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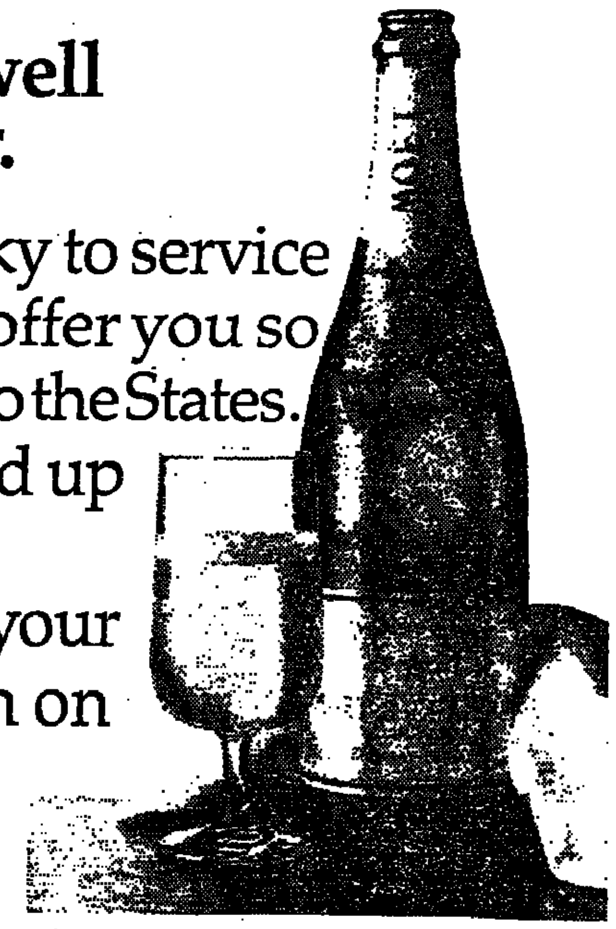

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The second of two articles examining plans to change a 109-year-old law

Animal rights: the painful decisions

Activists fighting to curb live laboratory experiments are bitterly divided on the crucial issue of 'acceptable' pain. **Yvonne Roberts** looks at the background and tactics of the anti-vivisectionists in the light of proposed legislation

Above a garage in north London, the British Union for the Abolition of Vivisection (BUAV) operates from a warren of rooms. "Warren" is particularly appropriate as one section of office space is occupied by several rabbits. The rabbits, the dogs and the advertisements for safe homes for pets rescued from "animal abusers" are the only signs that this is an animal rights organization.

Normally, the level of activity is high; monitoring scientific and medical journals, organizing demonstrations, producing publicity material and the BUAV's newspaper. Recently, however, the organization has suffered casualties in a civil war which has split the animal rights movement into three camps.

Animal rights campaigners have always had their battles, but this war is different because it may give the Government some unexpected allies from within the movement. The cause of the friction is the issue of pain inflicted during experiments; or rather, whether it is possible to measure the degree of pain an animal suffers.

The Government says it is. In a White Paper published last week, *Scientific Procedures in Living Animals*, it outlined proposed legislation to govern the use of animals in experiments (see box). The proposals are crucial to the animal rights movement because they represent the first change in legislation for over 100 years. How the public reacts when the proposals become law (possibly next year) will have a major influence on the power base that the movement can command in future.

The basic premise of the proposals is that any pain an animal experiences must be related to the value of the experiment. David Mellor, the minister at the Home Office responsible for the control of animal experiments, believes the public feels some animal experiments are necessary.

He told a meeting of the Royal Society of Medicine recently. "Most people do not want animal experiments to be stopped. They want the purpose of the work to be rigorously scrutinized and the pain or suffering to be kept to a minimum."

In 1983, part of the animal rights movement signalled its agreement with David Mellor. The Campaign for Reform in Animal Experiments (CRAE), the Fund for the Replacement of Animals in Medical Experiments (FRAME) and the British Veterinary Association submitted joint proposals to the Home Office. Among the measures, they suggested a cost-benefit scheme on pain; that is, pain related to purpose.

Shortly after this move by the moderates, a counter alliance was formed within the movement called Mobilization made up of anti-vivisection organizations such as the BUAV, Animal Aid and the National Anti-Vivisection Society.

Mobilization rejected a pain clause and set out a list of experiments which should be prohibited. It demanded the end of the Draize test in which liquid is dropped into an animal's eyes for up to 14 days to measure irritancy; a ban on the LD50 test which supplies the dose of any substance needed to kill 50 per cent of a group of animals; the outlawing of tests for cosmetics, tobacco and alcohol, and no further behavourial, psychological or war-based experiments. (None of these is included in the Government proposals.)

Since then, a split has developed within the BUAV – who are against all animal experiments – because some members felt that Mobilization's proposals did not go far enough on the question of pain. Mobilization does not, for example, tackle the infliction of pain in medical experiments. The RSPCA's official policy is to demand an end to *all* experiments where any pain is caused.

The RSPCA and Mobilization do share the view however that it is impossible to measure pain, and they use Government sources to argue their case. The Littlewood Committee set up in 1965 to examine the workings of the 1876 Cruelty to Animals Act reported that "it is not as a rule possible to assess degrees of real pain in animals". In 1982, Dr J. D. Rankin, former chief Inspector at the Home Office, told a symposium: "There is no way in which we can measure severity. It is and can only be a subjective assessment. . . ."

Activists are concerned that even if the pain clause is accepted, the control on pain suggested in the White Paper will be impossible to put into practice. They argue that the Home Office inspectorate (doctors and vets) is too much a part of the scientific community to be objective. They also point to the fact that there have been very few prosecutions under the 1876 Act.

In the case of the private prosecution brought by the BUAV against the Royal College of Surgeons, in which the RCS (now appealing) was convicted of cruelty to a monkey found dehydrated in a temperature of 90 degrees, the court was told that the Home Office inspector had called at the laboratory only two days earlier.

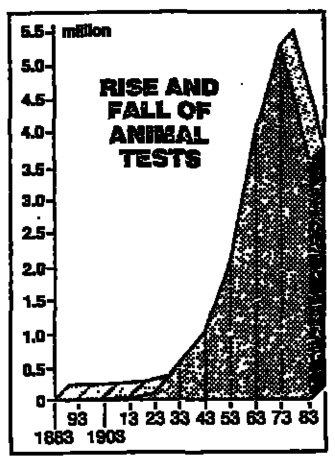
James Noble, of the Research Defence Society, which was established to argue the case for animal experiments, echoes the opinion of a number of scientists. "I can't think of a single experiment allowed now that won't be allowed in future", he says.

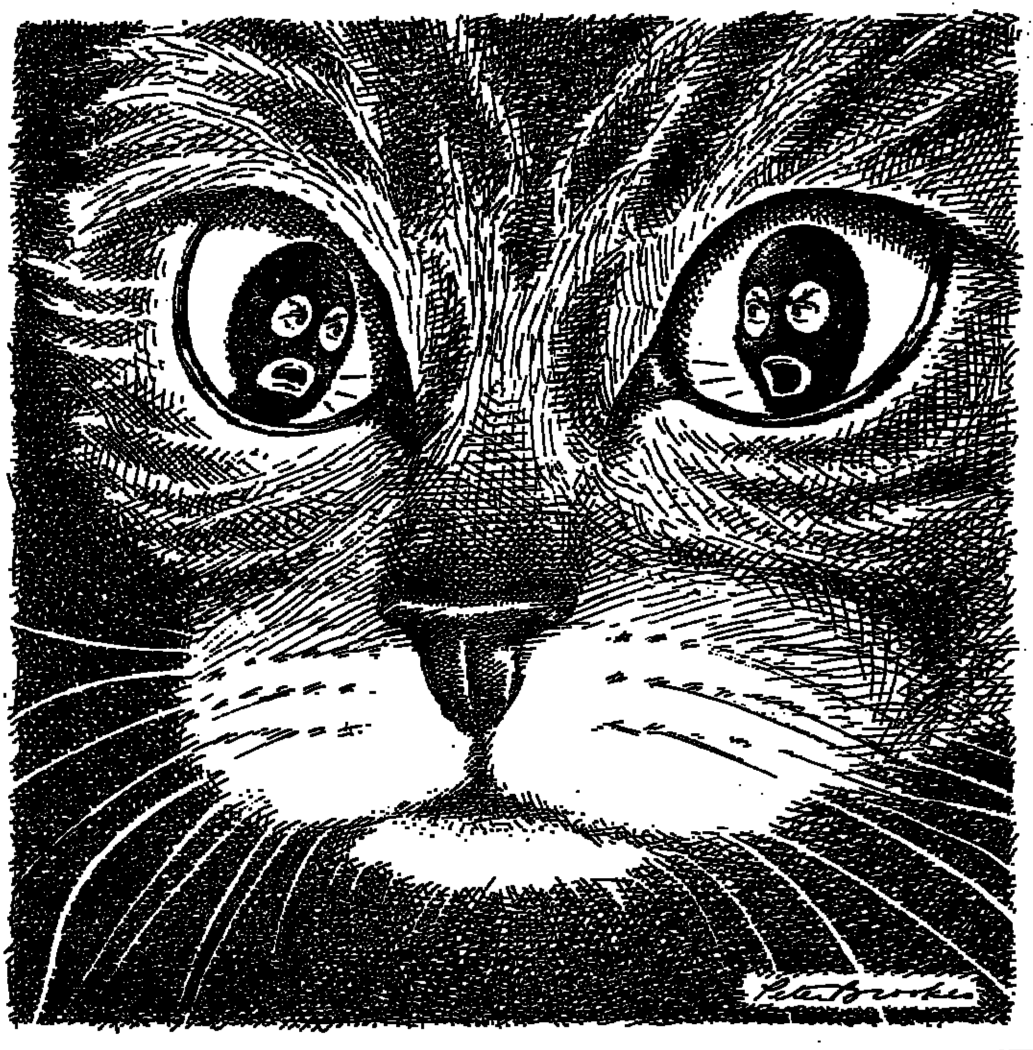
Activists have also argued that animal experiments are unecessarily duplicated in the development of drugs and in medical research, or are used where cheaper alternatives exist, and that they may produce information which is positively misleading.

Alternatives such as cell, tissue and organ culture, mathematical models and computers have their place, but are unlikely ever to have a monopoly. Sir John Vane, research and development director at the Wellcome Foundation and a Nobel prizewinner, said in his recent Stephen Paget Memorial Lecture: "The relationship between man and his . . . animals is a symbiotic one but there should be no question of which comes first. This is highlighted with crystal clarity by the recent transplant of a baboon heart into a dying baby . . . I believe that most people would not side with the baboon if that meant denying their own baby the chance to grow into a thinking, learning and reasoning adult . . .".

It is a difficult argument to counter, but the animal rights activists attempt to do it by underlining that such sacrifice is unnecessary. Angela Walder, scientific adviser of the BUAV and a member of the council of the RSPCA, worked in a cancer research laboratory for 15 years as an animal technician before joining the animal rights movement. "I used to inject tumours into mice but the kind of tumour a mouse develops is very different from a human tumour and doesn't provide much help at all. References are often made to finding cures to illnesses such as multiple sclerosis but animals don't get M/S so the research can only simulate something like the disease in animals."

Jean Pink of Animal Aid is confident of victory: "People will eventually stop buying meat, furs, drugs comsmetics . . . that's how we'll win, by consumer power". Kim Stallwood, campaigns officer of the BUAV, states his belief simply: "Animal liberation will not be stopped because for the sake of human survival it will *have* to happen".





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Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	
Income	£9.498m
Expenditure	£8.657m
Subscriptions	£90,000
Donations	£138,000
Legacies	£6.463m
Investment income	£1.54m

PRESENT REGULATIONS

The present system is regulated by the 1876 Cruelty to Animals Act, intended to cover less than 300 surgical experiments a year when it was passed. In 1983, there were 3.6 million experiments on animals.

Licences for experiments can be obtained by anyone the Home Secretary may think qualifies. Licensed experiments must be conducted on registered premises visited by one of 15 Home Office inspectors.

A range of certificates allows a vivisectionist to work under different conditions. Certificate A, for example, allows an experiment without anaesthesia. Some 80 to 90 per cent are performed under Certificate A.

Guidelines are given on the maximum amount of pain an animal is supposed to experience.

If an animal at any time during an experiment suffers pain which is "either severe or is likely to endure and if the main result of the experiment has been attained the animal shall forthwith be painlessly killed".

An animal must also be killed if during an experiment it suffers pain which is "likely to endure".

An Inspector may also direct than an animal should be destroyed if he thinks it is suffering considerable pain.

The Home Secretary is advised by the Advisory Committee on Animal Experiments.

Performing an experiment without a licence: a prosecution may only take place with the Home Secretary's consent. It is heard in the magistrates *court and the penalty is up to six months in prison* and/or a fine of up to £2,000.

PROPOSED REGULATIONS

A person wishing to experiment on animals must obtain two licences: **a personal licence** issued after the experiment's purpose and design have been considered. The degree of pain the animal is expected to experience will be measured against the value of the experiment. A licensee will also have to vouch that no alternatives to animals would serve equally well for the experiment.

Permitted levels of pain will be set in advance for each project. Inspectors will issue the licences and if a decision proves difficult to make, the inspector may pass the experiment details to the newly constituted statutory animal procedures committee which will advise the minister at the Home Office.

All animals used in research must come from breeding or supplying establishments. The use of stray dogs and cats will be prohibited.

Special authority will be needed for the use of cats, dogs, horses and non-human primates.

A system of appeal to independent advisers will be established for those who wish to take further action if a licence is refused.

Penalties for breaking the law will be increased. A case will be referred to the Director of Public Prosecutions and can be tried at Crown or *magistrates' courts. The penalty will be up to two* years in prison and/or an unlimited fine.

Courting trouble

Ronald Lee and Clifford Goodman were both sentenced to three years' imprisonment at Oxford Crown Court on March 24, 1975. They had been convicted of causing £50,000-worth of damage to laboratories. "I ask for justice for all animals", Ronald Lee, a former trainee solicitor, said. The militant wing of the animal rights movement had, it believed, its first political prisoners.

Direct action has proved increasingly useful for the movement. Activists say that any distaste the public might *feel when a law is broken* is overcome by the horror of the revelations. However, direct action has become increasingly violent, and criminal, mainly due to the activities of the Animal Liberation Front.

As a result, between 200 and 300 prosecutions of animal rights protestors have taken place in the past five years. Charges range from disturbing the peace to malicious damage. The pace of prosecutions is on the increase and police across the country now channel information on the ALF through a special group at Scotland Yard.

Individuals from other animal rights groups are also appearing in court more frequently. More than 120 activists are now awaiting trial. Penalties are expected to be more severe than the usual run of fines, suspended sentences or very light prison terms. "We've moved from being an irritation to a serious threat", says Ronald Lee, "and that change is bound to be reflected in the courts. It's a change we welcome because it means our actions are having an impact".

The issue of *violent* (as opposed to non-violent) direct action has divided the movement as much as the question of the pain clause. In an unpublished letter to *The Times*, following the "poisoned" Mars bars scare, 14 animal rights organizations, including the Scottish Society for the Prevention of Vivisection, recently dissociated themselves from such action.

The ALF was established in 1976 by some 30 veterans of the Hunt Saboteurs, including Ronald Lee. Present numbers are difficult to assess because *every "cell"* is autonomous and frequently acts under cover. Lee, however, puts the membership at about 1,000 activists and 2,000 supporters, 60 per cent of both groups being women, and the majority in their twenties. From one action a night in 1983, the ALF now claims five or more, from *petrol bombing* meat trucks and daubing to smashing windows and large scale arson.

But according to Lee, "ALF members are ordinary, law abiding people usually. They think carefully before they break the law. They feel it's the only way to get change."

Some areas of the country have suffered more than others from their attentions. In Bournemouth 300 butchers, furriers, fish and chip shop owners and hamburger bar proprietors have formed a vigilante group in response to the *numerous* attacks by the activists: smashing windows, daubing property, paint-stripping cars and glueing locks. "I've never seen anything like it", says Joe Young, a butcher for 25 years whose property has been attacked five times.

The ultimate aim of the ALF, according to Lee, is liberation for all animals and a land of human fruitarians. The details of this utopia have yet to be worked out, but in the interim, the fear inside and outside the animal rights movement is that the increasing momentum of violence may build to a point where it is impossible to stop.

FINDINGS

A series reporting on research: PUBLIC OPINION

Cool news on the run

About one in six professional or executive men in Europe jog, according to a study by Research Services Limited, reports Gillian Hall in the current issue of *Admap*, the advertising and marketing magazine; twice as many smoke cigarettes.

In a correlation matrix, there are three clear clusters of countries, with Spanish and Italian men the most likely to smoke (61 per cent and 50 per cent) and least likely to jog (8 per cent and 9 per cent). At the other cluster are the Scandinavians; more Swedish and Norwegian men jog (38 per cent and 36 per cent) than smoke (30 per cent and 29 per cent). In Britain smokers (23 per cent), outnumber joggers (16 per cent). Ms Hall concludes: "If it's *cold, you run!*"

Wielding the shield

Space-based defence systems, even the exploratory research favoured by Mrs Thatcher, are opposed by the majority of Americans, according to a poll taken in January for the Los Angeles Times.

Respondents agreed by a ratio of two to one that such a system, designed to shield the United States from nuclear missiles, might be seen as threatening by the Soviet Union and upset the nuclear balance of power.

Two-thirds of Americans say also that they believe the Soviet Union cannot be trusted to keep an arms control agreement. Nonetheless over 80 per cent favoured an agreement calling for both sides to reduce their stockpiles of nuclear arms and almost as many favour an agreement to freeze nuclear weapons at current levels.

Who knows whom?

They say nepotism, is all right as long as you keep it in the family. Three-quarters of the British public feel that it is true that "many people get jobs because of whom they know, not what they know", according to Gallup.

But the reality belies the opinion; only just over one in three members of the public say they obtained a job for themselves, or a member of their family, through someone they know. The attitudes were much the same among both sexes, across all age groups and classes and supporters of the major political parties. On balance, the British think the process happens more often now than it did 20 years ago.

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Poll of Poles

Nearly 90 per cent of the Polish population have religious beliefs, according to an article in the latest issue of the Polish Communist Party socio-political journal Nowe Drogi (New Roads).

The survey is the latest in a long history of opinion polling in Poland. Indeed, the Poles have the longest-running longitudinal survey in the world.

The panel in question is of one Polish community where the study itself has outlived its repondents, and second and even third generations are being interviewed, giving a unique insight into how attitudes have changed over a 50-year time-span in their community.

Robert M. Worcester

The author is chairman of MORI. Details of fieldwork dates and sample sizes are reported in British Public Opinion Newsletter, *published by the firm.*

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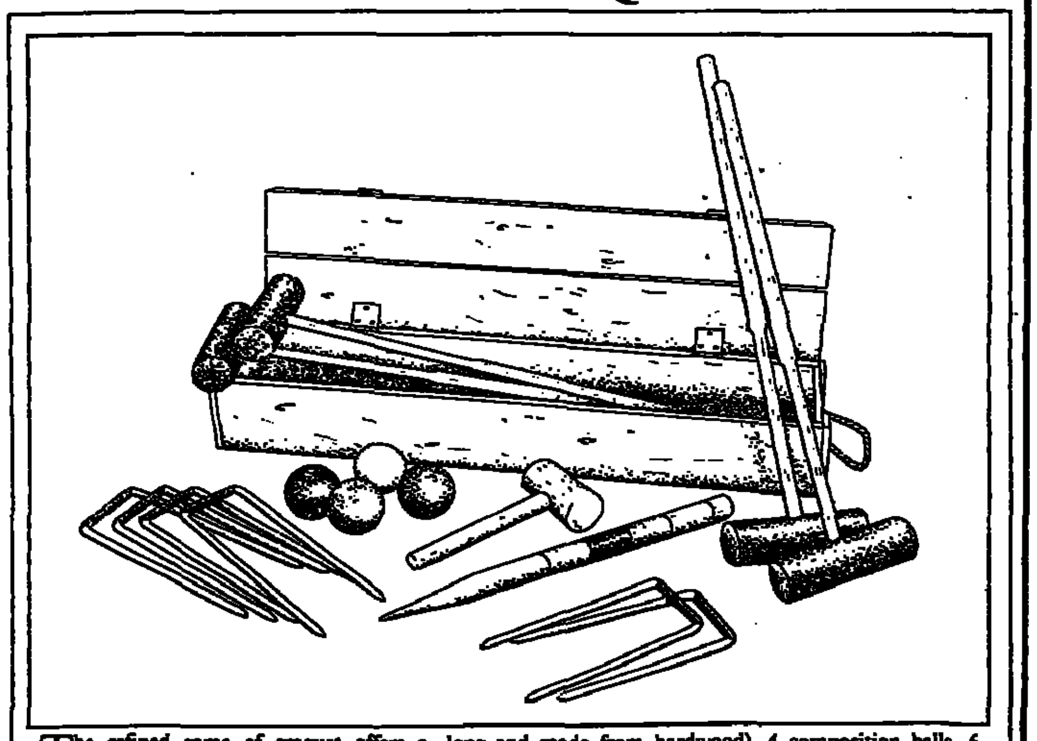

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Faith lights a fuse in Czechoslovakia

If you look up Saint Methodius in an encyclopaedia, you will find that he was a scholar who, with his brother Cyril spread the Slavic liturgy and forged links between the Czechs and Slovaks. To the Roman Catholic Church, however, Methodius is an evangelizer, a holy pioneer who brought Christianity to pagan lands.

Now, 1,100 years after his death, in the political wasteland that is post-1968 Czechoslovakia, Methodius has become a menace. The Catholic Church is enjoying a re-awakening in Czechoslovakia and Methodius has become a rallying point for a conflict with the Soviet bloc's most militantly anti-clerical regime.

Last week in the Moravian village of Veleherad – where Methodius died – 1,000 priests, some of them wearing the vestments of banned orders, and another 8,000 believers gathered in and outside the village church to hear Cardinal Frantisek Tomasek, the Czech primate, read a letter from the Pope.

Methodius, said the Primate, would have urged priests to steer clear of politics. The message was understood – priests were to have no truck with a pro-regime Catholic grouping called Pacem in Terris, which was specifically designed to split the Church. The 11-page letter from the Pope urged the priests, in the spirit of Methodius, to "continue intrepidly on the path of evangelization and testimony even if the situation at this moment of history makes it arduous, difficult and even often bitter".

The scene was reminiscent of Poland and that is precisely the problem. The Czech leadership, which remains fundamentally the one installed by Leonid Brezhnev in 1968, is frightened of cross-border religious infection. There are an estimated 10 million Catholic believers out of a population of 15 million, the highest concentration being in Slovakia. The combination of strong faith coupled with a sense of national autonomy, resentment at being governed from Prague, and a diet of western television with its documentaries and news from Poland, have created a slow-burning fuse for the Husak leadership. Worse: the religious revival has spread to traditionally atheistic communities in the Czech lands, in Bohemia and Moravia.

As a result the leadership of Gustav Husak – himself a Slovak – has tried to right some of the imbalance between the prosperous Czechs and the neglected Slovaks, by expanding political representation and by funnelling more investment to the eastern region. Slovaks now occupy key positions in key ministries apart from having their own Slovak ministries. But the principal instrument to preserve the status quo is a stifling of religious expression.

In an audience last week, Cardinal Tomasek set out the bare statistics. Of the 13 dioceses only three have been filled in the past 20 years because the government withholds approval for church nominees. Independent church orders have been banned. Female orders are permitted but can accept no new novitiates. A strict *numerus causus* operates in theology colleges so that there are only 3,175 priests to fill 4,336 parishes. The church is confined to its walls, limited to strictly priestly work.

The most effective tool of the secret police – which, as in Poland, plays an important part in the running of church-state relations – is the fact that all priests have to be approved and licensed by the authorities. The Church says that some 500 priests have been denied permission to practise.

Methodius: Rallying point

But while this cramps the overground existence of the Church, it also creates the necessary conditions for an underground culture. Any evening one can travel from apartment to apartment in Prague and see small religious seminars where every participant is risking a two-year jail sentence.

Recently published articles by the Premier, Lubomir Strougal, and the Central Committee Secretary, Jan Fojtik, revealed some of the divisions between the technocratic supporters of limited economic reform, represented by Strougal, and the ideologists such as Fojtik, who fear that reform means the admission of mistakes and a dilution of the Marxist-Leninist theocracy.

The Church cannot win a tentative fight for the Husak succession. If Strougal, or another reform-minded Politburo member, Milos Jakes, becomes the next party leader, they will have to pay their dues to the hardliners and display an ideological zeal.

Roger Boyes

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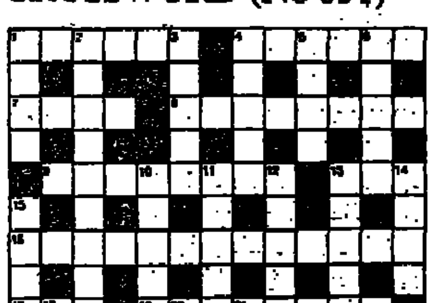

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

How Michael Nicholson and his family drove home the long way – from Johannesburg to Surrey

Survivors of the sandstorm

'We must keep digging, the two boys said but we were sinking lower and lower . . .'

Sue Pilkington meets the family who braved lions, tribesmen and all the elements on their 14,000-mile safari

Photograph by Peter Addis

Home and dry: Michael Nicholson with his wife Diana and sons William (left) and Tom

When ITN decided to close their South African office, their reporter Michael Nicholson told his family: "We're leaving Johannesburg, and we're going to drive home."

There was little discussion, no dissent either from his wife, Diana, or two small boys, Tom and William. A couple of weeks later, they embarked in their Range Rover on a journey which was to take them almost six months and cover 14,000 miles across Africa to Egypt, then on to Greece and the Continent and finally back to England.

The story of their adventure is told in a book, *Across the Limpopo*. Sitting in the sprawling, 10-acre grounds of his five-bedroomed Georgian farmhouse in Surrey, Nicholson insists that it was nothing out of the ordinary. Not even missing by a hair's breadth being slaughtered at the hands of 4,000 ex-guerrillas belonging to Joshua Nkomo's army on the road to Victoria Falls? Nor losing their loaded roof rack in the quagmires of Malawi's bushland? Nor finding themselves surrounded by lions when camping close to the Kenyan border? Well, all right, he admits, it *was* a worry at times, and neither he nor Diana actually enjoyed the trip. On hearing the news of the guerrillas on the BBC World Service he did experience "a dreadful cold feeling".

"I've seen what they do to people. There's no doubt in my mind that we would have been killed. But Diana and I decided to go on, even though we were about to leave what was still predominantly White Africa for Zambia. Any quitting *had* to be done then, but we both felt it would have been such defeat to ditch the Range Rover and fly home."

For Nicholson, a well-seasoned foreign correspondent with award-winning coverage of 14 wars under his belt, at the age of 48 the journey across Africa could be considered a busman's holiday. But what of his two small sons? Tom was nine, and William nearly eight when they set off. Family and friends were horrified at the prospect of serious illness, injuries or even death.

"They tried to make us feel irresponsible", says Nicholson. "Diana's parents wanted us to leave the boys with them. But we've always been a close family and shared risks. I remember climbing mountains in the Lakes with a six-month-old baby strapped to my back. Had one of them been maimed or killed we would probably have spent the rest of our lives regretting the decision."

> **❛ We didn't know what we had let ourselves in for ❜**

Diana, busy unloading shopping from the Range Rover, has to be persuaded to join the conversation. She is convinced that it's boring to talk about what they did.

A slightly built woman, auburn hair scraped into a bun, face devoid of makeup, she is four years younger than her husband, shy and quietly spoken. Brought up in Leicester, the daughter of a pharmacist, she studied industrial textile design at Leicester University where she met and married Michael Nicholson. The son of a Lieutenant Colonel in the Royal Engineers, he spent the early part of his life in Germany where he remembers his parents were always travelling.

He describes Diana as cool and calm; "the only woman I could possibly have done this trip with." She acknowledges him as the extrovert. Both considered that doing the trip without the boys was out of the question.

"We didn't worry about them", she says. "They'd been out in South Africa for four years and we're used to camping. They're resilient boys and, somehow, we knew they were always doing the right things. But we simply didn't know what we were letting ourselves in for."

Both admit that their preparation was scant and inadequate. There were no pack lists and they were still buying the day before they left. "I thought you could buy things on the way, which was a bit naive of me", says Nicholson. "But then, I'd always travelled with a camera crew in style, right down to the freezer box of lagers." Diana was in charge of food, mostly powdered and dehydrated, with bananas, raisins and dates for lunch, but with gallons of sherry to last the trip.

Apart from malaria tablets, the Nicholsons' medical kit consisted of little more than sticking plaster, slings, aspirin and a snake bite kit. It didn't matter. The box remained unopened.

The vehicle was, however, on Diana's insistence, well stocked with toys and books for the boys. "That was important. If you've got unhappy children the journey is ruined. And the boys had to sit for hours in extremely cramped conditions, one spread-eagled across the petrol cans in the narrow space between them and the roof, the other perched on the gear box. But they never once complained."

She was strict about homely routines like cleaning teeth, and having a cup of hot cocoa and a bedtime story before settling down for the night. And most mornings the boys were expected to do a couple of hours schooling. Clothes were kept to the minimum and, when they could, they swam naked in rivers.

To the boys, it was one big adventure (though they never want to see another banana, raisin or date). Whether caught in a sandstorm, being swept along in torrential rain, stuck in the swamps, or surrounded by hostile, jostling tribesmen, they kept everybody cheerful by singing.

The most terrifying moment of the whole trip for both the Nicholsons was after the sandstorm had subsided, and they found themselves in a lake of soft sand. Nicholson remembers the look he and Diana gave each other.

"We were sinking lower and lower, knowing that if there was another storm that was it. We'd all be buried alive. We had almost given up, but the two lads kept on saying, 'Come on, daddy, we must keep digging'."

> **❛ The greatest moment was sailing into Portsmouth harbour ❜**

Quite apart from the boys, an almost uncanny thread of luck runs through the book. Like the English vicar Diana spotted in the crowds at Khartoum, where there was no proper camping. "We'd heard dreadful stories about people being held at knifepoint in their trailers", says Diana. "But the vicar emptied a garage of pews so that we could park, and then took us to the English Club where we spent a week, swimming and gorging ourselves on hamburgers, baked beans, chips and ketchup!"

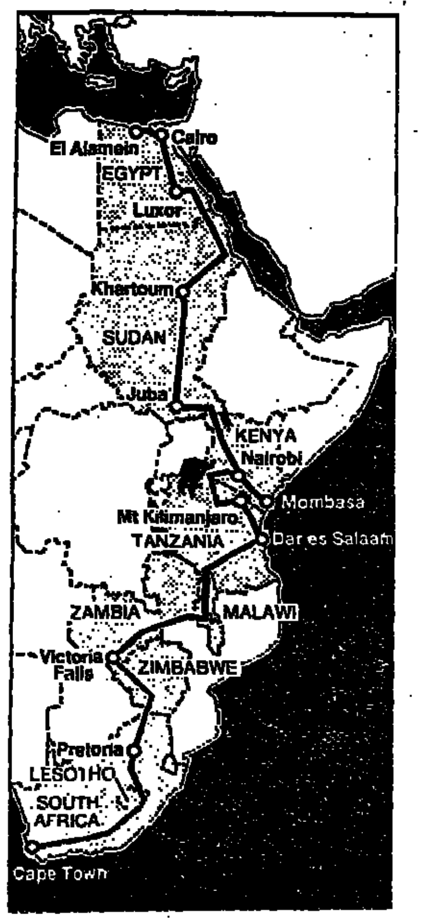
The whole truth is starker: "It's like childbirth", she says. "You forget the horrid bits." But yes, they do have incredible memories: climbing 11,000 feet up Kilimanjaro, swimming in Mombasa, and riding donkeys up steep, mountainous paths to gaze down at the Valley of the Kings and the entrance to the tomb of Tutankhamun. "I think the boys will thank us one day."

But the greatest moment, they both agree, was sailing into Portsmouth harbour and seeing "pretty, pretty England" again. The Nicholsons moved into their farmhouse from Kew, two years ago. Having just returned from the Falklands, he finds that here he can completely relax. "It's a splendid house, though we don't live splendidly," he says.

Diana is busy redecorating from top to bottom, something they reckon will take five years. That, along with the cooking, cleaning and looking after the family, is something she clearly enjoys doing singlehanded. They had six servants in South Africa, and fired them all, except for the gardener. Now, Diana gardens too. "I'm a slow decorator", she says, "but Michael doesn't seem to mind, and he pays me £250 a room."

Across the Limpopo by Michael Nicholson is published tomorrow by Robson Books, price £8.95.

Toys, matches and sherry on the journey of a lifetime



The Nicholsons covered 14,000 miles from door to door in just under six months. The journey in Africa (see map) took them from South Africa to Zimbabwe, through Zambia, Malawi and Tanzania.

They travelled on into Kenya and Nairobi where they left their Range Rover for a complete overhaul and took a week's holiday in Mombasa.

Torrential rain nearly ended their journey. Their Range Rover is pictured (above) stuck in the mud on the "road" to Wei Wei in Northern Kenya. It took them 10 hours to cover four miles.

Good Friday, April 17 marked their arrival in Sudan and the most dangerous part of the journey – crossing the Eastern Sahara into Egypt. They sailed from Alexandria to Greece on June 11, thence to the Continent and home, reaching England in July.

They took 150 gallons of petrol, tools, axes, winch, spare parts, burglar alarm, compass, radio, maps, tents, six five-gallon plastic containers of water, powdered food, five gallons of sherry, a medical kit, four Gaz stoves, matches, cooking equipment, clothing, books, toys and sand tracks.

Soups to savour on a chill summer's day

The Times Cook

Shona Crawford Poole

When rain stops play and the zephyrs turn nippy; iced summer soups lose their appeal and something more substantial is called for. How about *soupe au pistou*, a classic summer soup of the south of France?

This is a true vegetable soup that does not resort to the stockpot or cream jug for its richness. Instead it blends the sweet tastes of young vegetables with the robust fragrance of basil. When fresh basil is not available a small jar of Italian *pesto* sauce will suffice.

Soupe au pistou
Serves 4 to 6

3 leeks, white part only, finely sliced
3 carrots, sliced
3 medium potatoes, diced
450g (1lb) cooked white haricot beans, fresh, dried or tinned
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
3 courgettes, sliced
225g (8oz) green beans, cut in short lengths
110g (4oz) small macaroni

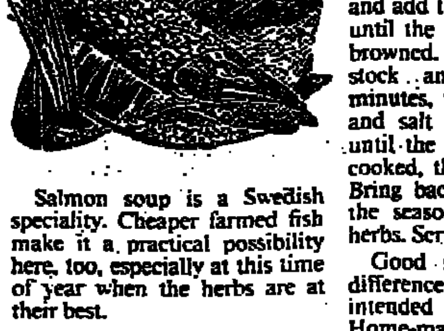
For the pistou
4 cloves garlic
A large handful of fresh basil leaves or a small jar of pesto sauce
55g (2oz) freshly grated Parmesan cheese
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
150ml (¼ pint) olive oil

Put the leeks, carrots, potatoes and white beans in a large pot with 2.75 litres (5 pints) of water and salt and pepper. Bring to the boil and simmer the vegetables, uncovered, for about 30 minutes, then add the courgettes, green beans and macaroni. Continue cooking the soup until all the vegetables and the pasta are cooked.

Meanwhile make the *pistou*. Using a pestle and mortar or a food processor, blend the garlic and basil leaves (or *pesto* sauce) to a smooth paste, then stir in the cheese, salt and pepper and gradually add the olive oil. This sauce is not intended to be an emulsion. It will separate when left standing. Stir again just before using.

Now there is a choice – to blend the *pistou* into the soup or serve it separately, allowing everyone to help themselves. Either way the soup should be very hot. To incorporate the *pistou*, put the sauce in a heated tureen and stir in a ladleful of the soup, mixing it well. Add the remaining soup gradually, stirring constantly.

Plenty of hot bread is essential with *soupe au pistou*. Extra grated cheese is optional.



Salmon soup is a Swedish speciality. Cheaper farmed fish make it a practical possibility here, too, especially at this time of year when the herbs are at their best.

Salmon soup
Serves 4

Salmon trimmings for stock – head, tail, bones, etc.
15g (½ oz) butter
1 onion, chopped
3 medium potatoes, diced
340g (12oz) salmon, cut in cubes
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
1 bay leaf
120ml (4fl oz) double cream
2 tablespoons each chopped dill, parsley and chives

Put the fish trimmings in a large pan with 1.75 litres (3 pints) of cold water and bring to the boil. Skim and simmer for about an hour. Strain and reserve the liquid. Discard the bones and bits.

Melt the butter in a large pan and add the onion. Cook gently until the onion is soft, but not browned. Add the potatoes and stock and, after about 10 minutes, the fish and bay leaf, and salt and pepper. Simmer until the potatoes and fish are cooked, then stir in the cream. Bring back to the boil, adjust the seasoning and stir in the herbs. Serve immediately.

Good stock makes all the difference to summer soups intended to be served chilled. Home-made chicken stock that is full of flavour and sets to a fragile jelly is what gives these soups their body and makes other thickeners unneccessary.

Iced coriander soup
Serves 4 to 6

1 large bunch fresh coriander
1 small bunch mint or parsley
225g (8oz) spinach
1.75 litres (3 pints) good chicken stock
2 cloves garlic, peeled and sliced
2.5cm (1 inch) cube fresh ginger, sliced
1 tablespoon whole cumin seeds
6 whole cardamom pods
2 bay leaves
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
Juice of 1 fresh lime or lemon
150ml (¼ pint) mild, plain yogurt

Wash and chop the greenstuffs, stalks and all, and put them in a large pan with the stock, garlic, ginger, cumin seeds, cardamom pods and bay leaves. Bring to the boil and simmer the soup for about 30 minutes.

Fish out the cardamom pods and bay leaves, then puree the soup by sieving or processing it. Season it well with salt and pepper before chilling it thoroughly. Stir in the lime or lemon juice just before serving with a spoonful of yogurt added to each bowl.

Clues to keeping traffic on the move

TALKBACK

Please give credit where it's due

From Mr K. W. Huddart, GLC Chief Traffic Engineer, County Hall, London, SE1.

One can agree wholeheartedly with the general feeling of Peter McHugh's article "Unsticking the traffic jam" (May 10) describing the work of the Transport and Road Research Laboratory. It is true that they have done an enormous amount of good work and that Dennis Robertson has done internationally acclaimed work on traffic signal plans.

But the article quite wrongly attributed other initiatives to the Transport and Road Research Laboratory. In particular, bus lanes were introduced quite independently of the Laboratory in various cities, including London, in 1968. By the time the Laboratory did some traffic experiments to confirm retrospectively analysis and design guides already established by the Greater London Council in 1973, bus lane programmes were already in full spate.

Wheel clamps also came from elsewhere, including experience in the United States and France. Their introduction in London was much more the result of painstaking persuasion by the GLC and others; it owed nothing to the Laboratory's technical support. Where the Laboratory gave invaluable support was in monitoring the experiment quite independently and showing how very successful wheel clamps were.

Finally, the GLC (not the Metropolitan Police as reported) is responsible for running the traffic control system as the highway authority responsible for most traffic signals throughout London. The police deal with day-to-day incidents: to help them to interact with the computer control we provide visual displays, keyboards and television. The control system includes the Laboratory's TRANSYT and SCOOT systems.

Permanent way to cut capital chaos

From Mr Alan G. Challis, Bosham, West Sussex.

"Unsticking the traffic jam" mentions that half the time spent travelling in towns is wasted by congestion. This probably underestimates the tremendous loss of time, money and effort occurring during the rush hours. Long-term planning of fast roads, particularly above selected sections of the railway networks in the inner cities, could have avoided much of the continuous loss and misery. Perhaps there is still time.

For example, in London there is a desperate need for a major South Cross Route to relieve Chiswick and Hammersmith and to take much of the through traffic away from the congested A205 South Circular Road.

I suggest that a new road, the A205(M), should join the M4 at Brentford and run above the railway to Vauxhall, incorporating a spur to the North Circular A406 at Gunnersbury Avenue. After passing through a tunnel under the Thames from the Chiswick allotments to the former goods yard at Barnes, it could run above the railway again to junctions at Wandsworth and Vauxhall. The next section would be to the Rotherhithe Tunnel and alternative routes are via Waterloo or on stilts via Albany Road. After serving the London Docks Development Area, it could run above the railway from Stepney East Station to the A11 and A102 near the marshalling yards at Stratford and then, if necessary, continue above the Central Line to the North Circular's junction with the M11.

Access to Heathrow and Stansted would be much improved. The cost of supplying the metropolis with its daily mountain of food and goods would be reduced and the whole economy would be more efficient. Our engineers are capable and could lead the world – but will our planners and polititians think far enough ahead?

Right road to smoother motoring

From Mr Terence Bendixson, London SW10.

We all know the exasperation of waiting in traffic queues. Now you report that traffic congestion costs us all at least £1 million a year in lost time and wasted fuel.

The root of the problem is that the cost of motoring down Piccadilly in the rush hour is, for a driver, seemingly the same as it is to go tootling along a country lane in Kirkudbrightshire on a Sunday afternoon. This is absurd. It is like charging the same price for caviar and cod's roe. Somehow we need to rejig petrol and vehicle taxation so that drivers would have to pay three, five or 10 times as much to drive on a busy road as on an empty one, as is proposed in Hong Kong.

Imagine what would happen if this was done here. Some rush-hour commuters would give lifts to neighbours or colleagues at work and so share the increased costs of motoring at that time. Others would avoid such costs by driving to work much earlier. Meanwhile big employers would provide mini-buses for some of their staff while the ordinary buses, freed of congestion, would go faster, become more productive and cost less.

Allow better trains to take the strain

From Sally R. Hamwee, London SW14.

Is it not symptomatic of our attitude to our overloaded roads that your article, with its details of the high national cost of hold-ups, contained no mention of improvement of the rail service as a means of unblocking the roads?

In Peter McHugh's traffic feature (May 10), the reference to the Scoot system being "built by Pye, Ferranti and GEC," should have read: "built by Plessey, Ferranti and GEC".

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Man bites watchdog

Tory MP Neil Hamilton was amazed to receive from one Lino Ferrari at the BBC a letter seeking ideas for a new programme called *Watchdog* which will be "reporting on behalf of individuals who may have been treated unfairly or insensitively by organizations (whether public or private)." Hamilton was delighted to oblige. He wrote back suggesting the first programme be on "the unfair and insensitive treatment meted out by slipshod, reckless or mendacious BBC programme makers to various private individuals pilloried on programmes like *That's Life* and *Panorama*". Another could investigate how the BBC squanders "vast stores" of public money to "intimidate the impecunious private individual" knowing the latter can rarely afford to seek legal redress "in the face of intransigence by an organization the size of yours." What Ferrari had forgotten is that Hamilton is suing the BBC for libel over the *Panorama* programme which sought to link him with right-wing extremists. To Hamilton's letter, sent on May 3, he has conspicuously failed to reply.

Cross currants

For reasons only to be guessed at, a package sent from HMS Conqueror in Devonport to Tam Dalyell took 21 days to arrive. Anyone who may have opened it en route would have been disappointed: all it contained was a piece of the commemorative cake marking Conqueror's return to the flotilla after a two-year refit. It was sent to Dalyell on behalf of the crew by Lieutenant-Commander J. M. Burnell-Nugent to enable him "to share our pride". In a letter of thanks, Dalyell blamed the delay on the "great curiosity of persons unknown", and observed that "it is a relief to know that signals from submarines travel faster than cake."

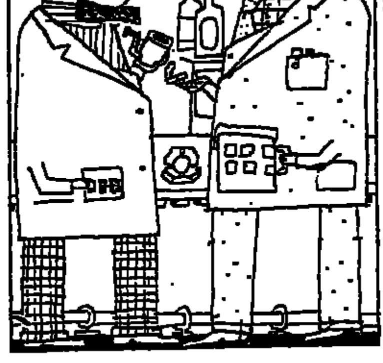
Hazard

Mr Justice Popplewell, the judge appointed to head the Bradford fire inquiry, may be in the government's good books. I doubt that his wife is. Until standing down as a councillor on May 2, Lady Popplewell was chairman of Buckinghamshire County Council's education committee and a leading advocate of Bucks' declaration of support – the first by a Tory council – for the teachers in their pay dispute.

Spoken in jest . . .

The results of the Commons Home Affairs Committee's investigation into the Special Branch have finally been published – some 10 weeks after I first disclosed the contents of its draft report and caused a parliamentary uproar. Introducing the results at yesterday's press briefing, Sir Edward Gardner, the committee chairman, remarked: "There have been so many leaks we almost suspected there had been a burst pipe." Indeed there was. As he spoke, two buckets outside the briefing room at Westminister were collecting water dripping from the ceiling.

BARRY FANTONI



"Surely it's part of the British Sunday to complain that the shops aren't open"

Etiquette

Apropos my story about the Boodle's member who was told he could stay in a double room at the club with a lady who was not his wife, providing she was the wife of a member, a Savile's member goes one better. He recalls a note which went up on the noticeboard asking members bringing girl friends or mistresses to the club's candlelit dinners on Friday evenings to make sure their companions were not the wives of other members "as this could cause offence."

Chain reaction

Sir George Young, junior environment minister, was stung by a remark in his Ealing constituency local paper by the local Liberal chairman, John Gower. It accused him of insensitivity to the effects of bus service cuts because he is "ferried about in chauffeured limousines at taxpayers' expense". Sir George read the letter while sitting in a bus and penned a swift reply. He offered to pay Gower £100 every time he is spotted in a chauffeured limousine if Gower gives him £1 whenever a constituent spots him on a bike or public transport. Gower would be rash to take him on. Alone among ministers, I am told, Sir George has no ministerial car allocated to him and often cycles to work.

PHS

Keeping the dons disaffected

by Peter Scott

Almost a quarter of a century ago the Robbins report promoted and endorsed the postwar expansion of British higher education with a magisterial eloquence that can hardly be imagined today. Perhaps the report's easy confidence reflected the brittle optimism of the 1960s, but its intellectual authority and moral rhetoric had much deeper roots in a high Victorian tradition of educational improvement equally hard to recall today.

Yesterday's Green Paper, *The Development of Higher Education into the 1990s*, is a very different document but as resonant of our times as Robbins was of the 1960s. It has roots in no grand principled tradition; its authority is derived from the imperatives of managerial expediency; and its rhetoric is the threat of national economic failure, not renewed hope of national greatness.

Yet for all its shortcomings the Green Paper is the first comprehensive and authoritative account of government policy towards higher education since Robbins. Our present system of 46 universities, 29 polytechnics and more than 100 colleges is three times as large and many times more complex than that examined by Robbins. It is also more confused about its objectives and allegiances and feels itself beleaguered and alienated.

So the Green Paper's first task is to establish a new consensus about the place of higher education in that curious mixture of a post-industrial and de-industrialized society that is present-day Britain, as durable as the consensus established by Robbins in the "you've-never-had-it-so-good" Britain of 20 years ago that thrillingly anticipated the white heat of the technological revolution.

Its job is to extinguish the nostalgic afterglow of the golden age of Robbins and to persuade higher education to come to terms with a new iron age. This helps to explain its strangely retrospective quality. It is much more about the recent past than about the future, the early 1980s rather than the 1990s proclaimed in its title.

Many critics will accordingly dismiss the Green Paper as yesterday's document. They will point out, correctly, that it contains nothing new, that it is simply a reiteration of rigid and myopic policies with which higher education has been made depressingly familiar. But they will miss much of its significance, which is to make legitimate the agenda that the Government has imposed on an unwilling higher education since 1979.

The items on that agenda are well known: constant cuts in public support and relentless pressure for Rayner-style efficiency; rationalization of departments (and institutions?) and highly selective funding to protect excellence and make the rest of higher education cheaper; discrimination against social science and arts and complementary enthusiasm for technology, especially if prefixed by "information"; tough industry-style management instead of cosy professional collegiality; the centralization of planning power by reducing the former independence of the University Grants Committee and creating a new quango, the National Advisory Body, to run the polytechnics and colleges.

Not surprisingly these preoccupations are authoritatively endorsed in the Green Paper. This is the shape of the new higher education order. But will it succeed? The first obstacle is that there is nothing in the Green Paper to lift the rock-bottom morale in universities and colleges; nor to close the yawning gap between the academy and the state.

This is among the most alarming phenomena of our times. Forty years ago, in war and postwar reconstruction, universities and government enjoyed a close, creative relationship. Many of the better things in modern Britain grew out of that partnership.

Today large parts of higher education have moved into permanent opposition, even internal exile. Mrs Thatcher's rejection at Oxford was not some fluke engineered by Balliol bolshies. This alienation of organized intelligence from the present government, and perhaps more generally from a state with apparently philistine values, will have serious consequences for the sensible conduct of public affairs well into the next century.

The second obstacle is that the Green Paper is hardly a charter for administrative reform. Instead it is a timid and conservative document. It envisages no change in the shape of higher education, which will continue to be divided into two arbitrary camps – the universities in their new role as decaying gentry and the polytechnics obliged to play the politics of envy. It envisages no national board for higher education and complacently assumes that the Department of Education and Science, the UGC and the NAB can handle their new concentration of detailed power over higher education. New wine in old wine-skins?

But the third and most significant obstacle is that the Green Paper enshrines a cramped, and cramping, view of the potential of higher education in Britain in the 1990s. It has no sense of the degree to which higher education has been woven into the fabric of modern societies. Yet postwar expansion has embedded the prospect of a university or college education firmly in the expectations of the rising middle class, along with mortgage relief and the company car.

Most serious of all, the Green Paper conveys little sense of the power of knowledge, both as the product of research and the possession of skills, in advanced societies. It goes far wider than training enough computer scientists, or warning higher education to beware of an "anti-business snobbery". As one frustrated delegate to the council of the Association of University Teachers in Glasgow last week put it: "Today Sir Isaac Newton would be rewarded, not for discovering gravity, but for catching the apple."

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Peter Kellner

For mid-term read terminal

Tired and listless after the shire county elections? Did last week's Gallup Poll give you a fit? Fear not, dear Tory, relief is at hand. Just keep taking these little blue pills and you too can enjoy Doctor Maggie's patent mid-term remedy. In time your poll rating will pick up, and by the next general election your support will be back to normal.

That, at least, is the theory. Mrs Thatcher insists that nothing untoward is happening: after all, the Conservatives did badly in the 1981 county elections – and went on to win the 1983 general election with a landslide majority. It is normal, she says, for governments to lose support in mid-term and to recover as the next election approaches.

Experience and common sense suggest, however, that the phenomenon of mid-term protest is neither simple nor inevitable – and neither is the subsequent recovery. Last Thursday's Gallup Poll in the *Daily Telegraph* recorded support for the Conservatives at 30.5 per cent – 13 points down on the 1983 general election. At the same point in the 1979 Parliament (23 months after the general election) the Conservatives stood at 30 per cent (15 points down). But if we go back to the same point in the 1974-79 and 1970-74 Parliaments, the story is different: 23 months after Labour's October 1974 victory, the party stood at 42.5 per cent – 2 points *up* on its general election figure – while 23 months into Edward Heath's administration, the Conservatives had lost only 3 points to stand at 43.5 per cent.

Labour's last government *did* suffer a sustained bout of unpopularity, but we have no need to resort to mid-term mythology to explain it. Labour's support remained near or above its October 1974 general election level until October 1976. It then fell sharply – just as the International Monetary Fund crisis engulfed James Callaghan and Denis Healey. One year later Labour's rating had recovered – as the economy began to revive and unemployment stopped rising. For 17 months between September 1977 and January 1979, Labour's support remained *above* the vote it achieved at the subsequent general election.

Equally, the trajectory of Conservative support between 1979 and 1983 contains no great mystery. First, its decline began well before mid-term arrived. By the winter of 1979/80, with inflation approaching 20 per cent, the Tories were down about 8 points to 37 per cent. Support picked up briefly in the summer of 1980 as inflation abated – but fell again as unemployment climbed rapidly above two million.

The birth of the SDP, and its alliance with the Liberals, compounded the Tories' problems. Between March 1981 and April 1982 the Conservatives hovered at around 30 per cent support – dipping briefly below that at the end of 1981 in the wake of the Alliance by-election victories in Croydon and Crosby. Then came the Falklands: the rest, as they say, is history.

Two lessons emerge from past "mid-term" government slumps. The first is that their timing varies from Parliament to Parliament, and have so far been explicable wholly by real events: economic crises, inflation and unemployment figures, and the Falklands war. There is no evidence that the onset of mid-term *as such* has anything to do with it. People do *not* say to themselves "It's two years since the last general election. It's time I started telling pollsters that I support the opposition."

Second, there is a protest vote phenomenon, but this occurs mainly in by-elections. It is quite common for government support to fall about 10 points more in by-elections than in nationwide opinion polls. But this is not confined to the mid-term: it can happen at any time. In March 1980, when Mrs Thatcher's government was just 10 months old, Labour came within 200 votes of overturning a 10,000 Conservative majority in Southend East.

To complicate matters, when the Liberals or SDP win a by-election, there tends to be a short-lived echo in the opinion polls, with the publicity effects of their victories producing a brief surge of support. It happened in 1973 and 1981 – and again in March 1983 after Simon Hughes won Bermondsey for the Liberals. Something of the kind may well have happened this month – the wake of the Alliance's gains in the county elections.

Yet Mrs Thatcher's problem is that her popularity, and her party's, have been steadily falling for some months, at a time when there have been no by-elections and the Alliance has received relatively little publicity. I do not believe mid-term blues have played any part. It is the remorseless rise of unemployment, the succession of cabinet blunders – from student grants to pensions – and the receding prospect of Thatcherism working that have undermined Conservative support.

As the next election approaches, so the mid-term theory holds, voters will think more seriously about who should govern Britain, and flock back to the Tories. The logic of that proposition escapes me. Presumably many people will ask themselves whether they really do want a further five years of Thatcherism. What I fail to understand is this: if unemployment has not fallen substantially by then, why should more than a die-hard minority reply "yes?"

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Christopher Walker on the implications of the prisoner exchange

May 30, 1972: Lod airport after the machinegun and grenade attack which killed 25. Right, Kozo Okamoto, only surviving attacker, now released from life imprisonment.

Peace gesture or prelude to new terror?

Jerusalem

The exchange of more than 1,100 Arab prisoners for three Israelis has been described by an Israeli government spokesman as the best deal it could get. But a despondent Shuldig, the cartoon character in the *Jerusalem Post*, asked yesterday: "How could we possibly have negotiated a worse one?"

Shuldig's cynicism reflected the shock and bitterness felt by many Israelis when the military censor belatedly agreed to permit publication of details of what some politicians have described as the country's most humiliating prisoner exchange.

As the full extent of the price paid by the Israeli negotiators began to sink in, the nation launched into what promises to be a lengthy, painful and potentially violent debate about the rights and wrongs of the government's action. "From today, Israel can no longer be seen as the only country in the world which fights terrorism without compromise," observed Uzi Landau, a back-bencher in the right-wing Likud bloc and one of the most outspoken critics of the deal.

Although widely disproportionate exchanges of Arab and Jewish prisoners have become familiar during and after Israel's six wars, security experts unanimously agree that this week's deal was unprecedented. This was because of the serious nature of the offences involved (more than 300 of the freed Arabs were serving life sentences) and the fact that hundreds were permitted to return to the occupied West Bank and Israel proper, many vowing to resume the struggle.

Particular bewilderment was expressed about the release of Kozo Okamoto, the one surviving member of the Japanese "Red Army" squad responsible for the 1972 Lod Airport massacre in which 25 people were killed and more than 70 injured. Sentenced to multiple life terms, he had spent most of his 13 years in prison in solitary confinement and had shown increasing signs of mental instability.

Only after the last of the buses had carried the freed men from a heavily guarded prison in the West Bank town of Nablus did it emerge that the whole complex deal – negotiated on and off since October 1983 – had nearly collapsed over the question of allowing many of the Palestinians to return home rather than deporting them. Israel baulked at the idea, righty guessing the anger of Jewish settlers and the heavy burden it would place on the security services; but it finally gave in when it became clear that Ahmed Jibril, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, would not compromise.

One reason for Jibril's stubbornness was to promote his own standing in the West Bank against that of the mainstream Fatah organization headed by Yassir Arafat, which had never extracted such generous concessions. When one of the Palestinians involved in the secret negotiations heard about Israel's climbdown and learned the identities of the men it was prepared to release, he remarked in genuine surprise: "If they could agree to this, then perhaps there could be peace."

To add to the humiliation which Jibril seemed determined to heap on the Israelis, he insisted on sending an open letter to all the men and the handful of women on the list for release: "We highly appreciate your heroic struggles, admire your long-standing patience, your sufferings and pains inside prison and would like to convey the tiding of your impending liberation and release."

Only when the Israeli newspapers appeared yesterday morning did the public learn how many murderers, spies and bombers were involved.

Many, like Yoel Marcus, an acerbic columnist for the Tel Aviv daily *Ha'aretz*, drew a sharp distinction between detainees such as those released earlier from the Ansar camp in southern Lebanon and "terrorists" tried and convicted by Israeli courts.

"The release of 879 convicted terrorists – among them known murderers – is not only a 'capitulation', as one security official put it during the inner cabinet session that gave unanimous approval to the agreement," Marcus wrote. "It is also a milestone, if not a turning point, in the nature of war relations between Israel and the terrorists." He said that Arabs embarking on future attacks inside Israel would be confident of eventual release, however gruesome the operation or the length of prison sentence imposed on them.

Inevitably the anger is fiercest among relatives of the victims of the many atrocities – stretching back to a bomb attack at Jerusalem's Hebrew University in 1968 – which the freed men had carried out. Many of the bereaved were also bitter that no one in authority had informed them of the impending release. For many the first news came on BBC World Service.

The strength of the reaction among the relatives and among Jewish West Bank settlers – who have already drawn up an ominous and detailed list of the Palestinians returned to the area – suggests that Jewish extremists may soon attempt to inflict their own revenge, starting another dangerous spiral of Arab-Jew retaliation.

Typical was the reaction of Chaim Mark, a 59-year-old Jerusalem shopkeeper who survived the 1979 bombing in the Galilee resort of Tiberias in which two children were killed and his wife, Haya, maimed.

He said of Ziad Abu Ain, the West Bank Palestinian who planted the bomb: "There are a lot of people around here who would kill him, and I am one of them. If I catch him, I will blow his head off."

Inevitably, the moral and political agonizing will extend to the members of the Jewish terrorist underground either already convicted or standing trial for vicious attacks on Arabs. "The gentiles get freedom and the Jews suffering," read one of the banners unfurled as wives and mothers of the men began a series of demonstrations, with plans for an indefinite hunger strike, in front of the Knesset.

Many people I spoke to yesterday cited the exchange as another unhappy by-product of the war in Lebanon, and some argued that it could have serious implications for the legal fabric of the state. One immediate result is likely to be an increasing clamour for the return of the death penalty, abolished in 1954 and resurrected only once – after the trial of Adolf Eichmann.

How the West could save Sri Lanka

Colombo

As you drive along the road to Batticaloa, the major town on the east coast of Sri Lanka, little Tamil villages by the roadside gape with blackened walls and skeletal roofs. Every house bears the marks of intercommunal hatred.

In the north of the country, in Jaffna and the fishing village of Velvettiturai, houses and shops have been destroyed by military vengeance. A Buddhist Pagoda lies broken open in the centre of Jaffna, the victim of Tamil revenge. In the northernmost village of all, Point Pedro, the police station walls are cracked and broken, the roofs collapsed, testimony to the violence of the Tamil terrorists.

The archeological sites of Polunnaruwa, the holy city of Anuradhapura and the remains of the palace built by a paranoid parricide in the fastness of Sigiriya, once earned Sri Lanka the title the land of ruins. It seems likely to earn the title again.

In a makeshift mortuary at Anuradhapura last week the reek of death was overwhelming. Flies swarmed around the unclaimed bodies of innocent Sinhalese civilians caught at a bus stand or in a place of pilgrimage and shot by left-wing Tamil terrorists. The bodies included three saffron-clothed Buddhist nuns and a child.

At the weekend the citizens' committee in Kalmunai, in the east, reported that 59 young Tamils had been arrested by the security forces, killed and buried in shallow graves. I have personally heard evidence of other massacres by Sri Lankan armed forces, some of them admitted by the government.

The truth is that all sides in the fearsome ethnic conflict have become brutalized by it. If it goes on Sri Lankan society can only fall deeper and deeper in blood.

Without such strife this would be a very fortunate land. It is warm and fertile, rich in gems. Its people are dextrous and clever.

President J. R. Jayewardene has said on many occasions that the conflict is an internal affair and interference will not be tolerated. It may have ceased to be a simple matter of internal policy, however, and friends of Sri Lanka have begun to ask whether something can be done to call a halt to the killings.

Already there are 100,000 Tamil refugees in India – nearly four per cent of the total Tamil population of the island. The Tamil middle-class are sending their young to Britain – 2,000 since the violence of July 1983, and the flow is increasing. Another 66 arrived at the weekend with nowhere to go and are being held in remand and detention centres.

There is a danger that these immigration problems will have further implications, and a possibility of the conflict being exported as Tamil and Sinhalese exiles quarrel abroad. It happened, for example, in Paris at the time of the 1983 riots. It could happen in London, Melbourne or Sydney, where there are large Sri Lankan communities.

The conflict has further international implications since the western powers, particularly the US, would be unhappy to see a left-wing dictatorship set up in even part of the island. India would be unhappy about any kind of great power presence in what it regards as its zone of interest.

The beleaguered Tamils look to India to intervene. Tamil political leaders frequently draw a parallel between the situation in East Pakistan before the birth of Bangladesh and that in the north of Sri Lanka now.

India, particularly at present as chairman of the non-aligned movement, must be committed to the principle of non-interference. But last year it helped to bring the Tamil politicians to the negotiating table and to establish a suggested agenda.

The political situation in the south Indian state of Tamil Nadu will not allow the Indian authorities to suppress the Tamil guerrillas operating from there. But Rajiv Gandhi could restrict their operations, and also those of Sri Lankan political exiles if a settlement was in sight.

At present it seems unlikely that India can bring much pressure on Colombo, but Jayewardene and his government could lean heavily on western support and approval. Jayewardene has many friends in the West who admire the way he has handled the country's economy and militant trade unionism.

Britain should help because the seeds of the crisis were sown in the unitary constitution at independence which did not contain adequate safeguards for the Tamils. The US should also perhaps be involved, along with Canada and Australia.

If these countries could agree on a programme with India that would satisfy Tamil aspirations, while not destroying the Sinhalese view of their country, it would be a step worth taking.

The programme could be close to the result of the all-party talks which ended in stalemate last December, with a proposal for a large measure of autonomy for each of the country's provinces. The gap between the two parties then seemed very small.

The danger here is that the outside interference would cause so much resentment that the proposals became wholly unacceptable. Again, India's influence might be beneficial, for Mrs Sirimavo Bandaranaike the former prime minister, and her son Anura, the present Opposition leader in Parliament, see themselves as allies of India.

Without some political solution the conflict will get worse. Already some Buddhist leaders are seeking a tougher attitude towards the Tamils and there are rumours of a possible unilateral declaration of independence by northern extremists, to be followed by a full-scale joint military operation by the guerrilla organizations. Time is running short.

Michael Hamlyn

Charles Lane

Mentioned in dispatches

From his office on the top floor of a glass and steel tower between Capitol Hill and the banks of the Potomac, the Great Mentioner surveys the nation, scanning the current crop of promising young politicians in search of possible presidential contenders in 1988 and, believe it or not, 1992.

Getting mentioned lends that elusive yet essential quality – credibility – to a fledgling campaign. It means press coverage and even early commitments from financial backers. Indeed, the contest to catch the eye of the Great Mentioner is, in many ways, the first primary of the 1988 campaign – and it's already under way.

Why are some people mentioned and others not? Washington's political consultants, columnists, and other insiders, gave some clues.

● **The Automatics:** Kennedys and incumbent vice-presidents are automatically mentioned. So is anyone who ran last time and lost without making himself appear ridiculous, for example Gary Hart. Governors of big states such as New York, California, Illinois and Texas almost always get mentioned, mainly because those states contain the country's largest media markets.

● **Grooming:** Wherever possible, the Great Mentioner prefers heroes. Astronauts and former athletes are naturals. Otherwise, it's usually enough to be young and handsome.

It means appearing at all the right parties, making solid, non-flamboyant speeches. It also helps to come from a famous political family. The Great Mentioner currently enthuses over Senators Jay Rockefeller of West Virginia and Al Gore of Tennessee. Still, he has been growing more tolerant of those who lack classic pedigrees, which is why Lee Iacocca, Jeane Kirkpatrick and Elizabeth Dole are being mentioned.

● **Going against the grain.** The GM loves a politician to defy "conventional wisdom" by proposing policies that challenge his party's accepted canon, or by attacking one of its loyal constituencies. Bruce Babbitt of Arizona, who has taken on non-means-tested benefits and the unions, has done well in these departments. The Great Mentioner also favours politicians like Babbitt and Governor Chuck Robb of Virginia, both Democrats who were elected in states where the Republicans are traditionally dominant. He believes that this demonstrates a certain moderate ideology that gives a candidate national appeal. And ever since Jimmy Carter surprised him in 1976, the Great Mentioner has liked "outsiders".

● **The Importance of Timing:** The Great Mentioner admires politicians who arrange their careers so that they leave a lower office at precisely the moment that a higher one is opening up. Governor Bob Graham of Florida is cited as someone with "good calendar".

Of course even those who already possess qualities such as these cannot afford to sit idly by and wait. There are at least three methods of catching the Mentioner's eye.

● **Coming up with a New Idea:** Making a lot of noise about a major national issue is a good way to start. Mario Cuomo's Notre Dame speech during last year's election campaign on religion and politics set the Mentioner on his ear.

● **Breaking the Monotony:** Events like the National Governors Conference are boring but the mentioners have to cover them so they are a great place to do something impressive. The GM was very impressed by Cuomo's keynote address at last year's Democratic convention; he went crazy over Babbitt's address at the last meeting of the Coalition for Democratic Majority.

● **Creative publicity:** It's bad form to ask the Mentioner to be mentioned, but it's acceptable to take one of his associates to dinner.

Those who do get mentioned usually fulfil some combination of all these conditions. No single condition is either necessary or sufficient. Hence Babbitt gets mentioned because he's a self-publicizing outsider who has gone against the grain and has good calendar. Massachusetts governor Michael Dukakis is also an able official with decent enough calendar, but as a Democrat from a Democratic state he doesn't go against the grain.

Oddly enough, the Great Mentioner has rarely managed to predict the actual winners of nominations. The history of presidential politics is littered with the names of candidates who were mentioned but either never ran or lost badly. In 1980 he was very high on George Bush and Howard Baker, but Ronald Reagan whipped them easily.

Many of the same qualities that help in getting mentioned may hinder nomination. If you're a Democrat, being ideologically moderate may get you elected governor of a Republican state, but it doesn't help in a primary race heavily influenced by unions.

Yet the Great Mentioner's forecasts continue to find their way into print, and to be taken seriously. As long as politicians see an advantage in being mentioned, they will clamour for his attention. And as long as columnists have to file twice a week, they will always be ready to print the Great Mentioner's words of wisdom. "One of the easiest things you can do when looking for a column is to concoct a presidential candidate," says one columnist who prefers not to be named. "If it doesn't happen, no one remembers, and if it does, you said it first."

This column first appeared in The New Republic.

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SEND FOR MR TEBBIT

At the Conservative Women's Conference which opens in London today, it falls to Mrs G. Baldwin of Chester to move the motion that the Government should "publicise its policies with more vigour to ensure that we win the next election": and it falls on Lord Whitelaw to reply. The Conservative Women's Conference is rarely a very dramatic event. Lord Whitelaw is undoubtedly the best man to pour oil on whatever troubled water sloshes about in the Barbican Conference Centre. But it is hardly inspiring to find that in the sixth year of Mrs Thatcher's government, Lord Whitelaw has to be its chief spokesman against the discontents of the party rank and file. His defensive skills are famous; he is a formidable apologist for Mrs Thatcher. But his is not the voice which can give the party a clear sense of the job which still needs to be done if its hopes for an election victory are to be fulfilled.

The task of communication is one in which Mrs Thatcher's government has most conspicuously failed. Cautious pronouncements – pussy-footing attempts to judge what the country will or will not "stand" – lead inevitably to cautious action. The Prime Minister has never fully appreciated this fact of political life. She has been always sensitive to the charge of creating a Minister of Propaganda. She is indeed right to be sensitive when so many of her ministers do not actually believe the Thatcher policy which they are obliged to communicate. In such cases, it may actually *be* propaganda. (Lord Whitelaw stands in a line of official Government spokesmen since 1979 which includes Mr Francis Pym.)

When Mr Cecil Parkinson took over the party Chairmanship from Lord Thorneycroft in 1981, the chairman's office in Smith Square became the place from which problems of communication could be solved. In recent months, there has been much talk of again using the chairmanship for the same purpose and replacing Mr John Gummer – who stands in the Whitelaw tradition of loyal defence – with Mr Norman Tebbit who has the inspirational qualities to take the party onto the attack.

This week, however, a rather different word has gone out: yes, but not yet; next year will do. But next year will not do. Delay is dangerous for two reasons. The first is that for all Mr Tebbit's personal difficulties in the long, tragic aftermath of the Brighton bomb, it appears increasingly to MPs and party officials that the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry is hedging his bets: his reluctance to take the party chair is attributed to the calculation that his chance of eventual succession to the leadership will be only slightly increased if the Conservatives win the next election with him at the helm and much reduced if they lose it. This is meant as no disrespect to Mr Tebbit who is justly admired for his courage in appalling circumstances: it is simply the way politicians' minds work. Mrs Thatcher would be wise to scotch the rumour that Mr Tebbit may be a closet prophet of defeat; she has enough overt doom merchants already.

The second reason for acting now is still more important. The officers of the Conservative Party are no more generally sympathetic to Mrs Thatcher's aims than is the mass of the party's MPs. Mr Gummer is neither an inspirational nor a radical man by nature. Nor are the vice chairmen who have been appointed since he took office in 1983.

The next election has all the makings of a genuine contest. The walkover victory of 1983 has softened organisational sinews which were by no means tough at the outset. It will take more than a year to bring the campaigning arm of the Government up to battle condition. It is not just a matter of better presentation of policies. The task is to create the political confidence which alone will allow radical policy options to be taken. If Mrs Thatcher's Government is not a radical reforming Government, it is nothing and the voters will tell it so.

The Cabinet does not need a confusing reshuffle. In the fashionable phrase of the moment, it needs "a new face". The Conservative Party can give it one. The sooner Mr Tebbit takes the chair the better.

AN UNCLEAR SIGNAL

Three years ago Sir Keith Joseph bowled questions at the universities and other institutions of higher education intended to make them reflect on their future in a context of "resource constraint" - learning in a cold climate. The Robbins party was over; the chucker out had arrived in 1980-81 with a package of real cuts in university funding over three years, and he has remained at his post. The optimistic and expansionary assumptions of the Robbins decade had faded. Universities, in particular, polytechnics and colleges also, were being required to re-justify themselves.

The University Grants Committee and National Advisory Body for the other sector of higher education gathered opinions from their respective constituents and published replies last September. Before buckling down to questions of the unit of resource, tenure, transbinary collaboration, qualified participation index and the rest of the stuff of academic bureaucracy, their reports were prefaced by a common chapter in which they proclaimed with some confidence the benefits institutions of higher education, learning and research confer on those who attend them and on society at large. These spokesmen for higher education took a high view of its utility and displayed a breadth of vision.

The Government's green paper in reply discloses no answering breadth of vision. It has to do with the nuts and bolts of the system, and even then it is not ready to pronounce on some of the most important of them - the future scale and shape of student support, the distribution of students between the university and "public" sectors, reform of the University Grants Committee. The paper is hard-headed about cash, and admonitory about assaults on freedom of speech and other abuses in student unions. It promises neither the level funding up to the end of this decade, for which a good case has been made out, nor a longer time-scale for financial planning, which the Jarratt report on the efficient management of universities joined in advocating.

The paper looks forward to the temporary contraction of the student age-group after 1989 as an opportunity for retrenchment and closure rather than an opportunity for new provision of "continuing" education at intervals during the working life - something for which the need should be tested as the pace of change quickens in technology and social organization.

It puts salutary pressure on the system at several points. It encourages universities and colleges to seek income from entrepreneurial activity and closer links with the business world, while not pretending those sources will permit the government to withdraw to any large extent from its financial responsibility in this field. It fails to encourage a corresponding flexibility and innovation in the academic structure of individual institutions. It is also noticeably one-track.

The track is sign-posted in the green paper's opening statement. "It is vital - for our higher education to contribute more effectively to the improvement of the performance of the economy." That is a most important consideration, but not to the exclusion of all other purposes these institutions serve and other public goods they promote. Neither the Robbins committee nor previous education ministers nor the UGC nor several generations of academic planners have been blind to the importance of that consideration. They have recognized, however, that you cannot press it far into policy without entering into central manpower forecasting on a time-scale that does not permit the forecasting to be done.

Sir Keith Joseph's department seems less aware of that limitation, especially in the facility with which it equates economically relevant with technological and vocational, and its evident desire to see courses of that description increase at the expense of the humanities which already occupy well under half first-degree university students. In an entrepreneurial economy the most highly educated manpower will most fittingly be equipped not just with vocational expertise but with transferable intellectual and personal skill of a general order. And not all economically productive employment, even these days, is grounded in science.

Even within its own terms Sir Keith's Paper can be criticized for treating its principal preoccupation too narrowly; it points the way to innovation and self-help without making its enthusiasm for that direction clear enough.

FOREIGN FOOTBALL DEVILS

Football violence has become such a regular occurence in Britain that there will be a natural inclination to view the rioting in Peking on Sunday in familiar terms: over-zealous spectators fired by the sight of a national team going down to a relatively insignificant visiting side. The fact that large numbers were willing to risk the harsh penalties involved in disrupting Chinese law and order may be attributed to the heightened disappointment of the loss coming early in the qualifying stages of the World Cup, with its attendent blow to national pride.

But in a country that is authoritarian by nature and bent on rapid political and economic change, such manifestations of disobedience (by all accounts extraordinary in character) can be viewed in a broader context.

A critical stage in reforms has been reached; while considerable progress has been made in transforming the Chinese economy, the associated political reform has merely limped along. Main obstacles here have been an entrenched Maoist element within the party and an obstinately radical military. An attempt to excoriate even the modest target of one per cent of "undesirable" party members in a rectification campaign met with failure. Despite this lack of success, or possibly because of it, the leadership has now turned its attention to the military, with a far more ambitious programme of reduction in mind. Should this fail, it will only serve to further antagonise a group already disaffected by a falling standard of living and loss of status.

Sunday's events may have been simply a side effect of the general rise in hooliganism, corruption and spiritual contamination associated with the economic reforms. Given the level of opposition remaining, this is in itself a source of worry for China's leaders particularly as they are hard pressed to find solutions for these problems. However, it could hardly have escaped the notice of Deng Xiaoping and his lieutenants that the two major acts of disobedience had at their core the more pernicious elements of the Cultural Revolution: Red guards and a virulent strain of anti-foreign sentiment. Of these, the latter is a major cause of alarm. It is difficult to disassociate Deng's reforms from westernisation. Should there be a backlash against his policies, anti-foreign feeling will act as a most convenient vehicle for it.

In Hong Kong the riot will serve as a sombre reminder of the difficulties that accompany the traditional north-south rivalry in China. It is far from coincidental, in this respect, that Hong Kong witnessed a similar outbreak of violence after a Hong Kong/China international played there not long ago. The paramount fear, long held by many in Hong Kong, is how to weave sucessfully between cooperation and competition with their northern kin after 1997. At this stage, the indications are that the northerners are in no mood to entertain serious competition.

Doctors and advertising

From Mr Michael J. Goldsmith

Sir, A reference to this centre in Dr Ferreira's letter (May 15) is incorrect.

The Harrow Health Care Centre is renowned, if for no other reasons, because it has managed to cut its own drugs bill to the extent that this is now 25 per cent lower than the average drugs costs of National Health Service general practitioners. Indeed, the Government's recent legislation on limited list prescribing was, in part, influenced by evidence of this magnitude of saving by us which was independently checked by officials of the Department of Health and Social Security.

My inquiries to the DHSS show that East Anglian doctors do not, as Dr Ferreira says, have lower prescribing costs than the rest of the NHS and furthermore do not provide their services for an average of £16 per patient per year, which he maintains. The ministry estimates that it is more like £34.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL J. GOLDSMITH,
Executive Director,
The Harrow Health Care Centre,
84-88 Pinner Road,
Harrow,
Middlesex.
May 16.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Economic words, deeds and sums

From Mr J. W. Williams

Sir, In his letter to you of May 20, which you headed "Matching economic words to deeds", Mr Julian Amery has exercised a certain economy when dealing with the number of unemployed able-bodied men and women.

Subtracting from the 3,250,000 total registered unemployed the figure of 1,750,000 finding a new job within a year of losing their original job, he arrives at a remainder of 1,250,000 registered unemployed who have been out of a job, for more than one year.

Losing 250,000 men and women in the process of presenting the unemployment statistics is not unprecedented, especially by the supporters of the present Government, but is perhaps an example of why some MPs with more concern for the individuals involved are attempting to change the attitude of the Thatcher leadership.

One thing, however, Mr Amery makes very plain. What is happening is a "massive transfer of people" from one sort of job to another which is "certainly not voluntary". More than anything else it is this style of controlled freedom, to quote from a recent leader of yours, which is causing more people to question the objectives of Thatcherism and to feel the stirrings of unease.

Yours sincerely,
J. W. WILLIAMS,
15 Oakthorpe Road,
Summertown,
Oxford.
May 20.

Inconsistencies in kerb-crawling Bill

From Mr Matthew Parris, MP for Derbyshire West (Conservative)

Sir, You report (May 18) that I was "under pressure from ministers" to withdraw opposition to Miss Fookes's Bill. In fact, no pressure was exerted. The Bill seemed to me defective. Our curious procedure had presented Mr Marlow and me with the power to destroy, though not to amend: but how far was it right to hold the public hostage to a dispute about drafting?

That was the pressure one felt. Neighbourhoods where "kerb-crawling" occurs do need relief, and to send a Bill – any Bill – up to the Lords allows them to consider how the statute might better be framed.

I hope they succeed. This is probably the only reform of our prostitution laws that the Government will sponsor. Other reforms (many of them permissive) which the Criminal Law Revision Committee will recommend in their forthcoming report, will gather dust. The committee must have suspected this on being asked to recommend a "kerb-crawling" offence early and in isolation from the remainder of their report. In acceding they have surely not served their subject well.

The proposals showed evidence of duress to "do something". Miss Fookes has already withdrawn that section, aiming to create an offence of frightening women. We are left with two clauses which are inconsistent with each other (it will be possible, lawfully, to solicit a woman face to face, but not from a car) and inconsistent with the existing laws on soliciting (which allow women to solicit men, unless known prostitutes, and men to solicit men, unless persistent). The minister outlined procedures which all but require the use of policewomen decoys if convictions are to be secured.

I hope that the Lords can find legislative expression for at least this: that a man should be shown to have made a nuisance of himself before he can be successfully charged. That, after all, is what the public object to.

Whether, through the importation of "persistence" into the offence or the requirement that the behaviour cause nuisance, or in some other way, their lordships must now judge: but it matters for two reasons: firstly, we must reduce the scope for mistaken accusation; secondly, we should respect that boundary between prevention of nuisance (which the public deserve) and the enforcement of morals (where we are on unsure ground).

The minister relied throughout upon two assertions: that we should not make the job of the police harder; and that Parliament should "send out a clear signal" that misbehaviour was unacceptable. I find that an imperfect expression of the function of criminal statute and am proud to have been a nuisance – and "persistent" with it!

Yours faithfully,
MATTHEW PARRIS,
House of Commons.
May 20.

Bradford fire disaster

From Mr N. H. M. Anderson

Sir, I fully support Professor Smith's plea (May 17) for more research to cut fire costs. To date no national accounting for the *extra* costs repsesented by implementation of building regulations and local byelaws relating to fire protection has been undertaken, although numerous estimates and guesses exist.

To such costs must be added the costs of maintaining our excellent public fire service, numerous industrial fire services, fire security guards as also the costs of installing and maintaining the wide range of fire detection, alarm, extinguishing and control equipment. Most will agree that the total is excessive, but without research into cost-effectiveness any reduction would probably bring greater vulnerability.

In part the Home Office Green Paper, *Future Fire Policy*, 1980, supported by the substantial *Review of Fire Policy* looked into this question of cost-effectiveness, but those studies tend more to show how little is known and how much further research is required.

There exists numerous bodies dealing in considerable detail with various aspects of this problem. What is needed is a national Fire Council drawing on existing knowledge and co-ordinating further research. Whilst this must surely be the long-term solution to the avoidance of waste of national resources, an early formation of such a Fire Council would bring together those best able to ensure that nothing like the Bradford disaster is allowed to occur again.

Yours faithfully,
N. H. M. ANDERSON,
Anderson International
Developments Ltd,
76 Hill Road,
Watlington,
Oxfordshire.
May 18.

Black and white issue

From Mr Bernard Black

Sir, You highlight the fact on your front page today (May 18) that the "safe" Brent South constituency Labour Party has short-listed three blacks in their selection of a parliamentary candidate for the next election. The clear implication is that there will be a black Labour MP for Brent South by 1988.

The advent of a non-white MP into the House of Commons would certainly make it a more representative body at a stroke and should thus be welcome but success is by no means assured in Brent South.

The last election once again showed that non-white candidates fare worse than their party colleagues. None of the 18 non-white candidates was elected. In supposedly marginal West Hertfordshire, for instance, Paul Boateng lost 23.7 per cent of the Labour vote and finished in third place, nearly 15,000 votes behind the Conservative winner.

If Labour did that in Brent South at the next election, their vote would plummet from 21,259 to 16,221 – less than the number who did not bother to vote in that constituency at the last election, let alone the combined votes of the Conservatives and Alliance supporters, many of whom might vote tactically to stop Labour winning.

The truth is that there should be no such thing as a safe seat and tactical voting should be rendered redundant by giving the people the opportunity to elect several MPs – be they three for Brent or six for Sheffield – without increasing their total number.

In that way we could all vote for the MP we wanted and both blacks and a greater number of women would be a feature of a much more representative Parliament.

It is this, rather than a collection of centre forwards and outside lefts trying to find the net at the right end of the field, that the nation really requires.

Yours faithfully,
BERNARD BLACK,
St John's College,
Southsea,
Hampshire.
May 18.

40 years on

From Mr W. Robert Jondorf

Sir, It is Mr Gorbachov's view, as reported in *The Times* (May 9), that the aggression against Poland could only succeed because the West had colluded with Hitler.

Perhaps Mr Gorbachov found that his remarks were not rapturously applauded by Polish and East German delegates in his Kremlin audience; this would not be altogether surprising.

The signing of the Molotov-Ribbentrop 10-year non-aggression pact on August 24, 1939, was ratified by the Soviet Union on September 1, 1939, the very day on which Hitler's armies, fully equipped (but not by the Western allies), surged into Poland.

The Polish military response did not long survive the Red Army's rushing in to support the German invasion on September 17, 1939, an action which Mr Molotov explained as Russia's sacred duty (*The Times*, September 18, 1939).

Poland was partitioned between the Soviets and the Nazis. The claims of Western collusion in these events are absurd.

Yours faithfully,
W. ROBERT JONDORF,
3 Gough Way,
Cambridge.
May 9.

Social workers

From Mr Chris Adamson

Sir, In his letter (May 9) Mr Bamford took the opportunity to criticise Camden's Director of Social Services for the decision to appoint unqualified social workers in order to achieve a quota of social workers from ethnic minorities.

The Camden Committee for Community Relations has strongly supported this policy for the reason that, far from lowering standards, it will, in our view, significantly increase them.

It is, firstly, quite clear that the holding of the relevant academic qualifications is no guarantee of competence as a social worker. Conversely, the lack of such qualifications does not prevent many individuals from acquiring, through life and work experience, the empathy, understanding and analytic ability which are the essential qualities for the competent social worker.

Thus, by widening the pool of potential applicants within both the black and white community, there is the likelihood of significantly improving the quality of those actually recruited.

Secondly, because of the way in which racial discrimination has operated to effectively block the employment of black people, there are few social workers at present in Camden who have either the understanding or experience to deal with issues affecting black and ethnic minority families.

The introduction of the policy will, it is hoped, increase the number of black and ethnic-minority social workers, which should, in itself, inspire greater confidence from the community and enable the department to tackle more effectively the issues with which it is confronted in a multiracial society.

Yours faithfully,
CHRIS ADAMSON,
Community Relations Officer,
Camden Committee for Community Relations,
58 Hampstead Road, NW1.
May 17.

The voice of SDP

From Mr Andrew H. McLuskey

Sir, Neil Kinnock describes the SDP as a party without "policy, principle or purpose" (report, May 18). In fact the constitution of the SDP opens with a ringing declaration of purposes, "... to create and defend an open classless and more equal society which rejects prejudices based upon sex, race, colour or religion".

Unlike Mr Kinnock we are prepared to hold the difficult tension between liberty and equality which is the only sensible basis for a civilised society. We *are* committed to seeking a better deal for the less well off at home and abroad, but we are not prepared to kow-tow in the process to trade union barons or the USSR.

Yours faithfully,
ANDREW H. McLUSKEY,
(Chairman, Reading West SDP),
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Tilehurst,
Reading,
Berkshire.
May 18.

Sikhs and 'The Times'

From the Editor of The Sikh Messenger

Sir, A report in *The Times* is almost unquestioningly accepted as the truth. This is a measure of both your reputation and responsibility. It is with regret, therefore, that I write to protest in the strongest possible terms about your reports on the recent bomb blasts in India (May 11 and 13).

Without any evidence whatsoever the Indian Government, through its State-controlled radio and television and a compliant press, placed immediate blame for the bomb blasts on the Sikh community.

What, though, of *The Times*? Why should it resort to publishing dangerous smears which, in India, could lead to further atrocities against a visible 2 per cent minority and a heightening of hostility to Britain's half-million Sikhs? Should not a community, like an individual, have the right to be presumed innocent until found guilty?

Yours sincerely,
I. SINGH, Editor,
The Sikh Messenger,
43 Dorset Road,
Merton Park, SW19.

Weak link in Chunnel?

From Mrs Elizabeth Young

Sir, I wonder if potential promoters of a fixed Channel link between France and the United Kingdom, to whom the British and French Governments have recently issued an "invitation" to make proposals, are fully aware of certain heffalump traps in that invitation?

Promoters themselves will be required "to demonstrate that they have and will maintain adequate insurance cover"; they are also "reminded that certain international conventions limit the amount of damages payable by the owners of seagoing ships".

What this means is that if at any stage of construction or operation of the "Channel link" a ship should damage any of the promoters' equipment or put the link out of action, under international rules as they stand today the compensation available to the promoters and their customers would be proportionate to the tonnage of the ship in question, up to certain low maxima, and *not* to the damage suffered.

This curious (and entirely inequitable) arrangement goes back some 150 years and was intended, in the days of *Pax Britannica*, to protect and benefit British shipowners. Which it did; and the doctrine has been carried right forward into today's international and domestic law.

The result is that someone other than the shipowner bears a substantial part of the cost of accidents involving ships. The maximum sum recoverable under the conventions in the case of the Amoco Cadiz incident amounted to some $47m: not surprisingly, the many French parties who suffered the damage and whose claims amount to $769m have taken them to the courts in the United States, where this kind of liability limitation is not recognised.

The question arises whether the British and French Governments will require the Channel link promoters to take up "adequate insurance cover" to cover their customers' interests even when they themselves cannot fully claim against a shipowner. The "invitation" states unambiguously: "The promoters will be liable . . . in accordance with the national laws applicable to that part of the link where the accident took place".

Has the time perhaps come, when this anachronistic *de facto* subsidy to shipowners should be phased out? It does after all, selectively benefit those shipowners who have the worst accidents.

Yours etc,
ELIZABETH YOUNG,
100 Bayswater Road, W2.
May 13.

ON THIS DAY

MAY 22 1901

In 1900 attacks on Chinese Christians and foreigners by armed bands of nationalists - the Boxers - led to the Western powers throwing in troops to protect their peoples. In retaliation the Dowager Empress Tz'u - hsi ordered all foreigners to be killed, compelling them, with Chinese Christians to take refuge in the legation quarter of Peking. The siege of the city lasted until August 14 1900 when it was relieved by an international force. Our Special Correspondent was (Sir) Valentine Chirol (1852-1929) who joined The Times *in 1892 and was head of the foreign department 1899-1912. The extract from his dispatch was one of a series of long articles.*

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THE FAR EASTERN QUESTION.

VIII.*

PEKING REVISITED.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

PEKING, MARCH 20.

... The whole of the Legation quarter from the Chien Mên to the Hata Mên Gate, a parallelogram roughly three-quarters of a mile long and half a mile deep, is a sea of ruins, in the midst of which the main buildings of some of the Legations have almost alone been left standing. The British Legation has, perhaps, suffered least of all, though the walls, and especially those of some of the outbuildings, still show the marks of the heavy fire to which they were exposed ... The spectacle they present is only surpassed in interest by the Peitang, the Roman Catholic Cathedral and mission on the other side of the Imperial city, where Mgr Favier and his native Christians to the number of 4,000, including women and children, with only a handful of French and Italian marines to leaven them, and entirely cut off from the rest of the European garrison, had to bear the brunt of a murderous attack sustained unceasingly for the whole two months without even the semblance of a respite which the Legations enjoyed for a time after the middle of July. One of the mines exploded within the narrow lines of defence, has left a yawning crater in which a number of bodies are still believed to be lying buried, though over one hundred have already been dug out, and the fighting casualties form only a small proportion of the heavy mortality caused by famine and sickness, especially amongst the children of the orphanage. All over the city, east and west, south and north, one comes at intervals across black patches of ruins, the wreckage left behind by the great wave of barbarism which swept over Peking during the early part of June, when the Boxers and Tung fuh-siang's hordes first took charge. Not only every foreign building, every dwelling inhabited by native Christians, but every shop in which foreign goods were sold, every house suspected of luke-warmness in the Boxer cause was levelled with the ground, and during the whole two months of the siege, while the Dowager Empress watched impatiently from the top of the Coal Hill in the Forbidden City for the destruction of the Legations, her capital was swept under her very eyes with sword and fire by her own *protégés*. Nor did lawlessness and chaos cease with the arrival of the relieving forces. Peking has suffered much less externally at their hands than at the hands of the Chinese themselves, though the destruction of some of the great watchtowers and two or three breaches in the walls have broken probably for ever the imposing continuity and symbolic symmetry of its ancient battlements. But for some days at least after the occupation it was given over to wholesale pillage, unrestrained and alas! to other forms of licence worse then pillage. There was official looting by superior orders, like that of the Japanese, who, having the advantage of greater topographical knowledge, made straight for the Treasury, the Imperial granaries, &c., and promptly emptied them; there was indiscriminate looting by soldiers and civilians of every nationality, and by women of gentle birth as well as by men; there was looting for the fun of the thing and looting with a strict eye to business, there was retaliatory looting by native Christians, there was even looting by missionaries, Roman Catholic and Protestant, for charitable purposes! ... But even for the worst things that were done in those fierce days much may be pleaded in extenuation that cannot be pleaded in connexion with the conduct of the contingents that arrived after the heat of battle had died away or with the petty acts of vandalism which are still being perpetrated to the present day. The Germans, for instance, did not appear on the scene until all the fighting was over, yet both in Peking and in the surrounding country their hand has in the long run proved systematically heavier upon the natives than perhaps that of any other nationality; ... There are some who hold that the whole of Peking should have been razed to the ground immediately after the occupation, or at least that every Imperial palace should have been destroyed, and on grounds of policy much may be urged in support of an act of splendid vengeance which would, after all, have been in consonance with Chinese practice....

Gnarled oak, soft myrtle

From the Secretary of the Tree Council

Sir, May I express my gratitude to the many readers who have regaled me with a feast of Shakespeare quotations referring to trees. They range from prunes "He lives on mouldy stewed prunes", *Henry IV, Part II*, II,4,159) through numerous reminders of "apricocks" – by far the most widely spotted omission – to an interesting suggestion that Harry Percy's offer of his service to Bolingbroke likens his allegiance to the fruit of the service tree (*Richard II*, II,3,41).

My eduation and the comprehensiveness of the Shakespeare Tree Garden will both benefit greatly from all this erudition.

Yours faithfully,
PETER N. GEROSA, Secretary,
The Tree Council, Agriculture House,
Knightsbridge, SW1.

From Captain C. A. Douds, RN

Sir, Absent from the list appears to be Sir Herbert Beerbohm.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES DOUDS,
Jade Cottage, Wade Court,
Havant, Hampshire.

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
May 21: Mr Justice Rose had the honour of being received by The Queen on his appointment as a Justice of the High Court of Justice when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood.

His Excellency Sayed Abdallahi El Hassan and Madame Khadiga Diglal were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Democratic Republic of Sudan to the Court of St James's.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, this afternoon opened the first International Conference on Health Education in Nursing Midwifery and Health Visiting at Harrogate Conference Centre.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for North Yorkshire (the Marquess of Normanby).

Mrs Andrew Feilden was in attendance.

By command of The Queen, the Earl of Caithness (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London this afternoon upon the arrival of The King and Queen of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and welcomed Their Majesties on behalf of Her Majesty.

Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded the Hon Mary Morrison as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

KENSINGTON PALACE
May 21: The Prince and Princess of Wales arrived at Sunderland Station in the Royal Train this morning to visit Tyne and Wear.

Their Royal Highnesses visited Bridal Elegance at Houghton-le-Spring and Philadelphia Craft Workshops, Philadelphia.

The Prince of Wales subsequently met community and business leaders in Sunderland to discuss a Community Service Initiative for young people in the area. The Princess of Wales visited St Paul's Jarrow Development Trust, St Paul's Church, Jarrow.

Afterwards The Prince and Princess of Wales opened the Community Care Alarm System and were subsequently entertained at luncheon in the Sunderland Civic Centre.

In the afternoon Their Royal Highnesses visited the Banks of Wear Cooperative Housing Services Ltd, including the St Vincent and Peel Street Housing Cooperatives, Sunderland.

The Prince of Wales, Vice-Patron, the British Council, this evening attended a Reception given by the British Council at the Guildhall, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith and Mr David Roycroft were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
May 21: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, Colonel-in-Chief The Royal Highland Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment) today received Lieutenant-Colonel Iain Reid on relinquishing his appointment as Commanding Officer, 1st Battalion.

Her Royal Highness was entertained at luncheon today by the Directors of *The Times* to mark their bicentenary.

Mrs Jane Stevens was in attendance.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Special Concert at the Barbican Hall, organized by the *Daily Mail*, given by the Massed Bands of the Royal Air Force in aid of the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

Lady Juliet Townsend was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
May 21: The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron, was present this evening at the Annual General Meeting of Counsel and Care for the Elderly held at St James's Palace, London, SW1.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
May 21: Princess Alexandra, Deputy Honorary Colonel of The Royal Yeomanry, this afternoon received Lieutenant-Colonel J. R. Clifton-Bligh upon relinquishing the appointment as Commanding Officer of the Regiment and *Lieutenant-Colonel S. J. M. Jenkins* upon assuming this appointment.

Her Royal Highness, Patron, was present this evening at a Reception given by the President and Members of the General Council of the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association at the Mansion House.

Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was *in attendance.*

A memorial service for Dame Annis Gillie will be held at St Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, London, SW1, on Friday, June 7, 1985, at noon.

A memorial service for Sir (Thomas) Fife Clark will be held at 11am, on Thursday, June 20, at St Bride's, Fleet Street.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P. P. Borthwick
and Miss F. M. Monteith

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs E. Marwood, of King's Lynn, and Fiona, daughter of the Rev Lionel and Mrs Monteith, of Denmark Hill, London.

Mr A. D. Gill
and Miss S. Gibbons

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Arthur Gill, of Great Campston, Llanfihangel Crucorney, Abergavenny, and Sue Gibbons, of Craig Ddu, Cwmyoy, Llanthony, Abergavenny.

Mr R. W. B. Gwyn
and Miss A. C. Henderson

The engagement is announced between Robin, son of Mr and Mrs Basil E. Gwyn, of Weybridge, Surrey, and Anne, elder daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Basil Henderson, of Brookwood, Surrey.

Mr A. Holman
and Miss E. S. Hayman

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs Frank Holman, of Downend, Bristol, and Emily Sarah, youngest daughter of Judge and Mrs John Hayman, of Wyck, Hampshire.

Mr J. B. K. Howell
and Miss J. A. Cameron

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of Canon B. R. and Mrs Howell, of Leamington Spa, and Julie, elder daughter of Mr B. B. Cameron and Mrs A. R. W. Hauer, both of Melbourne, Australia. The marriage will take place in Melbourne on August 10.

Mr M. F. Quicke
and Dr R. D. Fieldhouse

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs J. G. Quicke, of Newton St Cyres, and Rowena, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. E. Fieldhouse, of Bradford on Avon.

Mr R. B. Sackville West
and Miss C. D. Bennett

The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs Hugh Sackville West, of Knole, Sevenoaks, Kent, and Catherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Bennett, of Smelthouses, North Yorkshire.

Mr A. H. B. Stimpson
and Miss E. L. Bushill

The engagement is announced between Hugh, son of Mr and Mrs J. A. B. Stimpson, of Hackford Hall, Reepham, Norfolk, and Emma, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. N. N. Bushill, of Hill House, Snape *Bridge, Saxmundham, Suffolk.*

Marriages

Mr H. Brownrigg
and Miss S. Jepson

The marriage took place on May 18, at St Mary Magdalene Church, Knighton, Leicester, of Mr Henry Brownrigg, son of the late Commander Studholme Brownrigg, RN, and Mrs Studholme Brownrigg, of Milford-on-Sea, Hampshire, and Miss Sally Jepson, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Barry Jepson, of Stoneygate, Leicester.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Victoria Jepson and Miss Rebecca Downton. Mr Guy Standley was best man.

The honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr R. H. F. Merriam
and Miss P. J. Gidley-Kitchin

The marriage took place at St Mary's, Kemsing, on May 18, between Mr Richard Merriam, younger son of Mr and Mrs Peter Merriam, and Miss Penelope Gidley-Kitchin, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Greville Gidley-Kitchin.

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Chelsea Flower Show

Storm threat to gardens

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent

A violent storm marked the opening of the Chelsea Flower Show yesterday, turning the paths to mud and threatening to ruin *the fine plant displays in the outdoor* gardens.

While these gardens cannot be faulted in respect of craftsmanship and quality of plants or materials, some lack fresh ideas. Not so, however, with Chris Bine's wildlife garden (in association with the Gritish Trust for Conservation Volunteers).

Indeed the whole concept is relatively new and one which Mr Baines, of Hagley, West Midlands, has been urging gardeners to consider, both on television and in his book, *How to Make a Wildlife Garden* (published by Elm Tree Books).

At Chelsea he is aiming to show that a wildlife garden can be created in a small area, the site is only 10 yards by 15 yards. No sooner had the exhibit been completed than birds were flocking to it: ducks on the pool and blue-tits in the nesting box.

The garden provides four distinct habitats for wildlife, which are planted mainly with native plants but also with garden plants. These provide nectar, pollen and seeds for insects and birds, and mini-habitats, such as wetland, meadow, hedgerow and woodland edge, where native plants and animals can find a safe home.

The garden is extremely colourful, attractive and restful. The lawn is particularly appealing, being partly mown *and partly maintained as a small meadow* planted with cowslips.

Last year Jane Fearnley-Whittingstall, of Wotton-under-Edge, Gloucestershire, created a garden for chalk soil. This year she has staged a garden on an equally difficult soil, clay.

"The key to successful gardening is choosing plants that suit the soil", she said. Judging by her exhibit there are plenty of them for clay, including, surprisingly, silver-leaved plants such as achilleas, artemisias and *Stachys lanata*, plants associated with dry, well-drained soils.

The main planting, though, consists of old shrub and climbing roses, which excel on clay, such as the bourbon "Madame Isaac Periere", and climbers "Gloire de Dijon" and "Guinée".

Perfumed polyantha, and China, roses of moderate vigour have been planted in ornamental pots. *All roses for the clay* garden were supplied by John Scarman, Roses du Temps Passé, of Stretton, near Stafford. Also in this garden are to be found many native wild plants such as cowslips, ragged robin, campion and lady's smock.

Cool, restful surroundings for an ultra-modern house have been created by landscape-construction diploma students *of Merrist Wood Agricultural College*, of Worplesdon, Surrey. The main planting consists of bamboos and other grass-like foliage plants, arranged on each side of a stream gently running over a pebble bed into a natural-looking pool.

Contrast in foliage colour is provided by purple-leaved *Cotinus coggygria* 'Foliis Purpureis', black-leaved *Ophiopogon planiscapus* 'Nigrescens', and bronze-flushed *Diervilla x splendens*. The bamboos are diverse in habit and colour, from the yellow-leaved *Arundinaria auricoma* to the large-leaved *Sasa veitchii*. Bold groups of the green and white striped grass, *Phalaris arundinacea* 'Picta', add further contrast.

Many gardeners do not use dwarf conifers to best advantage, simply dotting them about the garden. Bressingham Gardens, of Diss, Norfolk, demonstrate in *their gold-medal exhibit just how effective* conifers can look when grouped together, creaing dramatic contrasts in colour, form and texture. One which has a great future is the new *Juniperus x media* 'Gold Sovereign', of ground-cover habit with bright gold foliage.

Results

The following awards have been made:

GOLD MEDALS

City of Aberdeen, leisure and recreation dept., cacti and succulents: Jacques Amand, of London, bulbous plants: Anmore Exotics, of Portsmouth, Hampshire, foliage and flowering tropical and sub-tropical plants: David Austin, Roses, of Albrighton, Wolverhampton, climbing and shrub roses and herbaceous plants: Avon Bulbs, of Bath, bulbous plants: Steven Bailey, of Lymington, Hampshire, carnations, pinks and gerbera: Belgian National Office for the Promotion of Agricultural and Horticultural Products, of Brussels, ornamental and house plants: City of Birmingham dept. of recreation and community services, display of flowering and foliage plants: Blackmore & Langdon, of Bristol, begonias and delphiniums.

Walter Blom and Son, of Watford, Hertfordshire, tulips: Blooms Nurseries, of Diss, Norfolk, hardy perennials, alpines and shrubs: Blooms Nurseries, conifers: British Orchid Growers Association, of Newton Abbot, Devon, orchids: Mr R.G.M. Cawthorne, of Swanley, Kent, violas and violettas: Peter Chan, of Purley, Surrey, bonsai, Beth Chatto, of Colchester, hardy herbaceous plants for dry and damp situations: "Daily Express" of London, Daily Express garden: Fryer's Nurseries, of Knutsford, Cheshire, roses: R. Harkness, of Hitchin, Hertfordshire, roses: Highfield Nurseries, of Whitminster, Gloucester, fruit trees and herbs.

Hillier Nurseries, of Ampfield, Hampshire, trees, shrubs, roses, and ground-cover plants: Hydon Nurseries, of Godalming, Surrey, rhododendrons, azaleas, acers, enkianthus, peiris and hostas: Interflora (British Unit), of Sleaford, Lincolnshire, exhibit of professional floristry: Japan Society of London, bonsai: Michael Jefferson-Brown, of Martley, Hereford and Worcester, daffodils: Kelways Nurseries, of Langport, Somerset, two golds, for paeonies and irises: Marston Exotics, of Frome, Somerset, carnivorous plants: NFU Market Produce Show Society, of London, a cooperative display of fruit, flowers, vegetables and ornamental plants: Nostell Priory Rose Gardens, of Nostell, nr. Wakefield, Yorkshire, roses, Notcutts Nurseries, of Woodbridge, Suffolk, hardy flowering and foliage trees and shrubs, including climbers and rhododendrons: Oakleigh Nurseries, of Alresford, Hampshire, fuchsias and pelargoniums: G Reuthe, of Keston, Kent, rhododendrons, azaleas, trees, shrubs, climbers and bamboos.

Peter Rogers and Associates, of Limpsfield, Surrey, an informal garden: Sealand Nurseries, of Sealand, Chester, astilbes, paeonies, lilies and herbaceous plants, Sealand Nurseries, roses: Slough Corporation, borough leisure services dept., parks division, schizanthus: South African Department of Information, cultural section, of Pretoria, indigenous and othre flowers and foliages of South Africa: "The Sunday Times", London, two inside outside gardens: Torbay Borough Council, parks and recreation dept., of Torquay, Devon, trees, shrubs, conifers, herbaceous and bedding plants: Treasures of Tenbury, of Tenbury Well, clematis.

Van Tubergen, of Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, bulbous plants: "Womans Own", of London, "Womans Own" country kitchen garden: Woodfield Bros, Stratford-on-Avon, Hybrid Lupins: F W Woolworth, of London, the Woolworth garden.

CROFT ORIGINAL TROPHY: F W Woolworth, of London, for the best garden.

RING AND BRYMER TROPHY: Bettina Floral Artist, of Bournemouth, Hampshire, for the best exhibit of floristry.

Awards to plants

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATE

Exochorda macrantha, "The Bride", hardy flowering shrub, exhibited by the Crown Estate Commissioners, of The Great Park, Windsor, Berkshire.

AWARDS OF MERIT

Andromeda polifolia, "Minima", hardy flowering shrub, exhibited by Miss V Finnis, Kettering, Northamptonshire: Aphelandra squarrosa, "Snow Queen", ornamental foliage plant for the temperate greenhouse, director general, Royal Horticultural Society's Garden, Wisley, Surrey: Begonia schmidtiana, ornament flowering plant for the temperate greenhouse, director general, RHS Garden, Wisley: Camellia japonica, "Pink Jade", subject to the application and registration of a clonal name, Dr J A Smart, Barnstaple, Devon: Dodecatheon pauciflorum, hardy plant for flower in the alpine houser on the rock garden, director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Fritillaria pyrenaica, "Merlin", hardy flowering plant for the herbaceous border, Miss V Finnis: Iris acutiloba lineolata, bulb for the bulb frame, exhibited by J N D'Arcy, Westbury, Wiltshire: Mertensia maritima, hardy plant for flower and foliage in the alpine house or on the rock garden, E F Allen, Copdock, Suffolk: Miltonia (unregistered grex), "La Tuilerie", exhibited by Vacherot et ecoufle, Boissy St. Leger, France: Ornithogalum nutans hardy plant for flower on the rock garden, exhibited by Mrs F Baxter, Westbury, Wiltshire: Phalaenopsis (unregistered grex), "Moni Millais", Eric Young Collection, Jersey: Phalaenopsis (unregistered grex), "Moni Millais", Eric Young Collection.

Pleione forrestii (SBEC/0206), introduced in 1980 by Mr R J Michell for Western China, collected during the Sino British Expedition to Cangshan, 1980, a plant for flower in the alpine house, J D Crosland, Torphins, Aberdeenshire, Rhododendron, "Happy Occasion" ("Snow Queen" x "Crest"), Edmund de Rothschild, Exbury, Hampshire: Rhododendron ("Hotei" x decorum), subject to approval and application of a clonal name, Edmund de Rothschild: unnamed Rhododendron hybrid (souliei x "Idealist"), subject to approval and application of a clonal name, exhibited by Major A Hardy and G A Hardy, Hythe, Kent: Rhododendron, "Bam Cream" ("Loderi x unknown), subject to the approval and application of a clonal name, exhibited by the Crown Estate Commissioners: Tulipa marjoletti, as a species, director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew: Viburnum polifolia, "Minima", hardy flowering shrub, N Holman, Truro, Cornwall

Royal visitor; Princess Margaret, who lunched with directors of Times Newspapers yesterday, talking with Mr Colin Webb (left) deputy editor of *The Times*, and Mr Arthur Gould, night editor, during a tour of the editorial department (photograph: Harry Kerr).

Hailsham tribute to Vice-Chancellor

Sir Robert Megarry, aged 74, Vice-*Chancellor of the Supreme Court*, retired yesterday after 55 years as a lawyer.

At a ceremony at the Law Courts in London, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor, paid tribute to Sir Robert's "unstinting help and wisdom".

Latest appointments

Lord Weinstock to be trustee of the British Museum, in succession to Mr S. M. Hornby.

Mr K. J. Mackenzie, Assistant Secretary, Scottish Office, will succeed Mr R. R. Hillhouse as principal finance officer, Central Services on promotion to Under Secretary from August 1.

Critic appointed bishop

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

One of the most controversial members of the General Synod of the Church of England, Canon Colin Buchanan, was named yesterday as the next Bishop of Aston, a suffragan bishopric in the diocese of Birmingham.

The previous bishop, the Right Rev Michael Whinney, is Bishop elect of Southwell.

Canon Buchanan is a noted critic of the Prime Minister's role in the appointment of diocesan bishops, and has urged the church to free itself of the last vestiges of state control. Suffragan bishops are appointed on the nomination of the diocesan bishop, and the Prime Minister's office has no jurisdiction over them.

Canon Buchanan, who is aged 50, is also a leading spokesman for the Evangelical group in the Church of England, *and is at present principal of St* John's College, Nottingham, and Evangelical theological college.

He has served on the liturgical commission of the General Synod since 1964, where he was closely associated with the production of the *Alternative Service Book*, and was made a canon of Southwell in 1981.

Memorial service

Mr D. Posner

The Earl of Gowrie, Minister for the Arts, attended the memorial service for Mr David Posner held at St James's, Piccadilly, yesterday. The Rev Donald Reeves officiated. Sir *Marcus Worsley read the lesson* and Mr Tom Stacey gave an address. Mr Graham Binns read "A Stranger in Clare" by David Posner, Mr Piers Posner, son, read an extract from "The Earthquake", Mr Dominic Posner, son, read "A Song for Innonence" and "A Rake's Progress" and Mrs Posner, widow, read "Progress Notes". Among others present were:

The Hon Lady Worsley, Dame Veronica Wedgwood, OM, Mrs Tom Stacey, Miss Ivie Price, Mrs Michael Moore, the Rev Leslie Hipkins, Mrs Elizabeth Mostyn-Owen, Miss Rosamond Freeman-Attwood, Mr R Lavelle, Mr Neil McCaul and Mrs I Bywater.

Birthdays today

Mr Kenny Ball, 54; Viscount Dunrossil, 59; the Right Rev D. R. Feaver, 71; Dame Honor Fell, 85; Professor Sir William Hawthorne, 72; Sir Mark Heath, 58; Professor G. W. Keeton, 83; Sir Edwin Leather, 66; Mr Hew Lorimer, 78; Mr Victor Montagu, 79; Sir Arthur Peterson, 69; *Miss* Betty Swanwick, 70; Mrs Betty Williams, 42.

Worksop College

The following awards have been made for 1986:

Scholarships: R P W Thomas (Ranby House), J C Beardsley (Stancliffe Hall), D C Caseldine (Ranby House), M D McPhun (Worksop and Ranby House), A D Patel (Worksop and Ranby House). **Exhibitions:** M J Bartlett (Wellow House), B M Ellis (Ranby House), A C B Pearce (Wellow House), C R Howell (Ranby House), J P Searle (Ranby House), P M Herbert (Ranby House). **Academic bursaries:** B O Newsome (Nevill Holt), R Woodward (Ranby House). **Music:** D C Caseldine (Ranby House), C R Howell (Ranby House), R Woodward (Ranby House). **Art:** B M Ellis (Ranby House), J D Haslem (Worksop and Ranby House), J S Isaac (Ranby House), E R Vardy (Ranby House).

Royal Academy of Arts

The Royal Academy of Arts soirée will be held at the Summer Exhibition on Monday, June 3 from 9pm to 11pm, in aid of the Royal Academy appeal (the exhibition opens to the public on Saturday, June 1). Tickets are available, at £15 each, from the Royal Academy, Piccadilly, London, W1V 0DS. Telephone reservations: 01-437 9120.

Latest wills

Mrs Ida Betty Mills, of Thetford, Norfolk, left estate valued at £10,419,483 net. She left her property mostly to relatives.

Science report

Archaeologists count on quartz

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

A new dating technique with exciting implications for archaeology combines the power of the laser with the detection of *ancient sunlight*.

Experiments have shown that the method can be used to date things as far back as nearly three-quarters of a million years ago, three times the period that *Homo sapiens* has lived on earth.

The method employs the principle of thermoluminescence, which depends on the fact that electrons build up in the defects of the crystal lattice of certain minerals, rather like adding marbles in a jar. Exposure to heat or light will disperse the electrons (like emptying the jar all at once), and the slow accumulation begins *again*.

Because the electrons are expelled as photons, the light emitted can be measured: the greater the amount, the longer the time the electrons have been accumulating.

It has been shown that the *thermoluminescence* effect can be created in many ways, particularly by the action of sunlight on sediments (*The Times*, November 11, 1978).

Now, one of the authors of that work which measured thermoluminesce of feldspar, Dr Ann Wintle, of Cambridge University, reports in *Nature* that the feldspar signal is unstable. It cannot be used at all to date samples older than about 120,000 years, while it would also result in an underestimation of more than 10 per cent of the age of samples between 30,000 and 120,000 years old.

Quartz grains have been used instead: physicists and an archaeologist from the Simon Fraser University in British Columbia have employed an argon-ion laser with a 514.5 nanometre beam to excite optically the electrons from their traps in the crystal lattice of the quartz grains.

While the emission spectra for quartz are complex and vary with temperature, sample origin, and previous exposure to radiation, most are dominated by a broad blue emission in the region 450-470 nm, and with the use of suitable filters for both the argon beam and the detection system, the luminescence excited by the laser can be detected with fair accuracy.

The difficulties with quartz are that it has a lower thermoluminescence sensitivity than feldspar, and is less easily bleached, losing its electrons much more *slowly on exposure to light* and making accurate assessment of the signal more difficult.

The laser technique, however, uses the most light-sensitive electron traps, which can be emptied by even a 10-second exposure to sunlight: the problem is much more the practical one of collecting samples without direct light hitting them.

The researchers at Simon Fraser studied quartz sand samples from a well-dated sequence of dunes in South Australia formed over the last million years, and found that *the intensity of the thermoluminescence* signal as a function of age increased smoothly.

They then applied these results to an archaeological site in British Columbia going back some 6,000 years and found a similar increase, with the thermoluminescence curve matched by the radiocarbon dates from the archaeological deposits.

An older comparison was possible by measuring quartz grains from a pond-bottom silt below a wood layer dated by radiocarbon to about 59,000 years ago; the thermoluminescence date obtained was 62,000 plus or minus 8,000 years for the laser method and 64,000 plus or minus 12,000 years for the standard method.

The agreement of all three dates suggests that the laser method is an accurate one, and the combination of the Canadian and Australian results that the period from 1,000 to 700,000 years ago can be dated with its help.

Given the rapid accumulation of sediments in archaeological sites, and the fact that later deposits shield earlier ones from sunlight fairly quickly, laser optical dating promises to be a useful complement to radiocarbon and other long accepted ways of calibrating the human past.

Source: *Nature*, Vol 313, pp 99, 105-7, 1985.

OBITUARY

DR PETER INGLIS

Leading metallurgist

Dr Peter Inglis, who died on May 18 at the age of 82, was one of the outstanding metallurgists of his generation.

After taking the top first at Liverpool in 1923 and completing his PhD in two years, he accepted a visiting Fellowship at the University of Illinois. From the outset he was concerned with metal fatigue and was a pioneer theorist of its origins.

In 1927, when ICI Billingham was in the earliest years of its exhilarating expansion, he was appointed there to establish a metallurgical advisory service, and the innovating climate of the early chemical industry gave him the opportunity to initiate now classical work in non-ferrous metals, especially as applied to exceptional problems of corrosion and pressure in heavy chemical plant.

During the war years he was seconded for secret research on anti-tank weapons.

His parallel and no less seminal work on stainless steel led to his appointment as Research Director at the ICI Metals division (later IMI) in Birmingham *in 1947*. There he was the first British metallurgist to pursue extensive development in what have become the staple non-ferrous metals.

The research on titanium, zirconium, and their alloys which he authorized and directed in his remarkable years as Director at Witton was unique in Britain and is now a foundation of the aerospace and nuclear industries. He retired in 1964.

During this time he became justly celebrated *for the* dash, charm, and integrity with which he organized his research teams. After retirement he remained prominent in his field, becoming President of the Institute of Metals in 1964 and being honoured by the Metals Society with its Platinum Medal in 1974.

LORD DONNET OF BALGAY

Lord Donnet of Balgay, CBE, JP, who has died aged 68, was chairman of the General & Municipal Workers Union from 1970 to 1976.

Alex Donnet was one of the strongest supporters in the union movement of the social contract with the Labour government in the 1970s and advocated moderation in politics and wage bargaining.

Born in Dundee on June 26, 1916 he started work as an apprentice typewriter mechanic and later worked as a clerk in the GMWU's office in his home town. He became a full time official of the union in 1941

At that time he was also an accomplished cross country runner, having represented Scotland on several occasions.

He rose from collecting steward to negotiating officer for the public services, chemicals and gas industries and in 1959 became secretary of the union's Scottish region. During his six year chairmanship of the GMWU he was also a member of the TUC General Council.

In the late 1970s as his influence grew in the Labour movement he became a committed supporter of Party unity, arguing that in-fighting restricted Labour's ability to operate effectively.

He was also scathing at TUC conferences and those of his own union, of workers who used their industrial muscle to secure large pay increases at the expense of weaker groups.

Donnet, whose brother, Charles, resigned last year after a long career as a national officer in the same union, was made a life peer in 1978.

CAPTAIN DENIS BRIGGS

Captain Denis Briggs, DFC, who died on May 11 at the age of 68, was the pilot of the RAF Catalina flying boat which discovered the whereabouts of the German battleship Bismarck on May 26, 1941 after shadowing British naval forces had lost her in the North Atlantic.

Bismarck, accompanied by the cruiser Prinz Eugen, had earlier been sighted by the British cruisers Norfolk and Suffolk in the Denmark Strait between Iceland and Greenland and had been engaged on May 24 by the battlecruiser Hood and the battleship Prince of Wales. In this engagement the battlecruiser had been sunk *with almost all hands, while* Prince of Wales broke off the action after sustaining hits from both German ships.

Bismarck was subsequently attacked by torpedo aircraft from the carrier Victorious but with no ill effects, and in the small hours of May 25 gave her pursuers the slip. There followed thirty anxious hours in which her whereabouts was completely unknown.

Not until 10.30 am on the 26th was the uncertainty ended by Briggs's radio message which reported that his Coastal Command Catalina had spotted Bismarck 700 miles west of Brest where she was heading to make good the significant damage to her fuel system she had sustained from the very few hits Prince of Wales had been able to make on her, during their brief duel.

This vital sighting made, the various elements of Admiral Tovey's force – torpedo bombers, the battleships King George V and Rodney, and the cruisers, were able to move in and destroy Bismarck.

For this Briggs was awarded the DFC and he gained a bar to this on the patrols which occupied him for the rest of the war. One of the feats of his aircraft was to shoot down a German fighter.

After the war Briggs joined BOAC, becoming a Captain and flying Comets and VC 10s. He retired in 1972 but flew for a further two years with Gulf Air.

MR GEOFFREY KIRK

Mr Geoffrey Kirk, OBE, JP, who was drowned in a boating accident on May 20 at the age of 64, was widely regarded as the best of the post-war generation of journalists who served the nationalized industries.

Though he achieved brief (and unlooked for) fame as the National Coal Board spokesman who resigned after disagreements with his chairman during the miners' strike, he will be remembered more for his skill and patience as the NCB's director of public rela*tions for two decades*, and as a man with strong feelings for the mining industry and those who work in it.

James Geoffrey Kirk was born on July 19, 1921, in the north Derbyshire coalfield. His first job after leaving Chesterfield Grammar School was as a clerk with the Bolsover Mining Co. He joined the Royal Navy and in November 1939, took part in the evacuation of Dunkirk and survived the sinking of HMS Coventry in Suda Bay, Crete. He qualified as a diver and was a member of the Admiralty Experimental Diving Unit.

After the war he became a reporter on the weekly *Surrey Advertiser*, and then spent a year on the *Swindon Evening Advertiser* before joining the public relations department of the newly-nationalized coal industry in 1949. He became press officer in 1955 and director of the department in 1960.

He accepted the Board's analysis that the capacity of the industry had to be reduced – and in fact helped to achieve the massive rundown of the sixties.

But as last year's miners' strike dragged on beyond its sixth month amid mounting bad publicity for the NCB, it was clear that there were serious disagreements between him and the Board's chairman, Mr Ian MacGregor. These culminated in Kirk's resignation

Kirk was appointed a JP in 1958, and made OBE in 1982.

Luncheons

HM Government
Mr Timothy Raison, Minister for Overseas Development, was host at a luncheon held at Lancaster House yesterday in honour of M Christian Nucci, French Minster for Co-operation and Development.

International Chamber of Commerce
Sir Peter Macadam, retiring Chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce United Kingdom, was the host at a luncheon held after the annual meeting at the Café Royal yesterday. The guest speaker was Mr *Edward Streator*, United States Ambassador to the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development. Sir Graham Wilkins, the new chairman, and Mr Giles Wyburd, director, also received the guests.

Service luncheon

Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Transport
The committee and members of the Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Transport Officers' Luncheon Club entertained yesterday at luncheon at Mark Masons Hall the Bishop of Hull. Among those present were Major-Generals Sir Cecil Smith and W. M. Allen, Brigadier R. G. Harmer and Colonels V. J. Roy-Applin, R. F. Discombe, C. S. Edden, B. Jones, P. F. P. Lodge and D. C. Wildish. Brigadier D. Locke, chairman presided.

Reception

Asthma Research Council
A Reception to launch the Starlight Ball in aid of the Asthma Research Council was held last evening at the Hilton Hotel. Mr Anthony Wieler is chairman of the ball, which will be held on October 9 at the Hilton Hotel. Among those present were:

Countess Howe, Sir Ralph and Lady Southward, Dr A W Frankland, Mr and Mrs David Franklin, Professor Tim Clark, the Hon Kenneth and Mrs Lamb, Mr and Mrs Andrew Gairdner, Mr and Mrs Richard West, Mr and Mrs D E Wilde, Mr Dennis Walters, MP, and Mrs Walters, and friends of the Asthma Research Council.

Dinners

Prime minister
The Prime Minister and Mr Denis Thatcher were host at a dinner at 10 Downing Street yesterday evening in honour of the Prime Minister of Finland and Mrs Sorsa. The other guests were:

The Ambassador on Finland and Mrs Paalinen, Mr Ake Wihtol, Mr Paul Gustafsson, Mr Seppo Pietinen, Mr Kari Kairamo, Mr Casimir Ehrnrooth, Mr Matti Kankaanpaa.

The Speaker, Lord and Lady Young of Graffham, Mr John Wakeham, MP, Mr John Selwyn Gummer, MP, and Mrs Gummer, Mr Richard Luce, MP, and Mrs Luce, the Hon William Waldegrave, MP, and Mrs Waldegrave, Lord and Lady Marsh, the Hon Anthony and Mrs Cayzer, Sir Peter Blaker, MP, and Lady Blaker, Sir Alan Dalton, Sir Francis and Lady Tombs, Sir Larry and Lady Lamb, Mr and Mrs Bill Sirs, Mr and Mrs Colin Chandler.

Dr and Mrs Michael Branch, Mr and Mrs Keith Barker, Mr and Mrs H. R. Smith, Miss Carol Thatcher, General Sir John and Lady Stanier and Mr and Mr Charles Powell.

Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators
Mr Henry Fearn, president, was host at the annual dinner of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators at Guildhall yesterday. The principal speaker was Mr Timothy Renton, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Other speakers included Mr Kenneth Dwerryhouse and Mr Donald Kirkham.

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THE TIMES
FINANCE AND INDUSTRY
Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Bank appointment signals the speed of change

If proof were needed of the rapid pace of change in the City, it is provided by yesterday's appointment of Martin Jacomb as executive chairman of Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the new American-style securities group assembled by Barclays Bank.

It is unusual enough for Barclays to appoint an outsider – Mr Jacomb was until yesterday deputy chairman of Kleinwort Benson – to any senior position. Mr Jacomb will also have a seat on the Barclays Bank board as one of three deputy chairmen, an unprecedented elevation for someone not previously associated with the Barclay "families".

The appointment is a measure of the importance Barclays attaches to its new securities offshoot as well as recognition of Mr Jacomb's considerable talents and experience. Since Lord Camoys, chief executive of BZW, recognized last October that the job of merging four separate businesses – de Zoete & Bevan, Wedd Durlacher, Barclays Merchant Bank and BMB's fund management activities – as well design a strategy for their future, was beyond the capabilities of one man, Mr Jacomb, 55, was the man to bring in. The realization coincided with Mr Jacomb's decision to turn down the invitation of heading the Securities and Investment Board.

Mr Jacomb's remuneration is being kept a secret though when Barclays' report and accounts eventually reveals all, his is likely to put the salaries of the other two deputy chairmen in the shade.

Mr Jacomb will be responsible for strategy and liaison with the clearing bank while Lord Camoys will be involved more with the day-to-day running of the operation. The precendents for top personnel swopping from the entrepreneurial environment of merchant banking into the more restrained atmosphere of a clearing bank, are not encouraging. Sir Charles Ball, for example, quit his job as vice-chairman of Kleinwort Benson to head Barclays Merchant Bank, only to fall out horribly with his seniors in the late 1970s. It is exactly these cultural differences that Mr Jacomb and Lord Camoys must overcome if they are to make a go of the job

Barclays itself it confident that it has an enormous contribution to make to the future of BZW while Mr Jacomb ventured the opinion yesterday that securities trading will become an increasingly important area for all the clearing banks, not just Barclays. Looking further into the future Mr Jacomb saw "an exciting opportunity" for BZW to utilize Barclays' huge retail network. On a more controversial note he said he agreed with "a great deal" of the recent hardhitting paper that BZW produced airing the many problems it forsaw in the stock exchange's proposed structure for and regulation of securities trading.

'There is genuine grief at Kleinwort, Benson. Chairman Michael Hawkes is not hiding the fact that Mr Jacomb is a considerable loss. But Kleinwort, Benson has taken the opportunity of his going to promote some of the younger men. Lord Limerick who was the other vice-chairman along with Martin Jacombe will now become deputy chairman (at 55 he is only slightly younger than Michael Hawkes).

The succession is therefore likely to fall on one of the three new vice-chairman who are in their late forties or early fifties. One, Lord Rockley, is a corporate financier and has headed this department at Kleinwort, Benson since 1982. The other two are bankers: Robin Fox who has been mainly involved with the international side of the banking operation and David Peake who latterly has headed the export credit services and is also group personnel director.

Belgian lifeboat for Ansbacher

Thanks to powerful shareholders with deep pockets, Henry Ansbacher Holdings, the merchant banking group, is still alive and kicking, and a sorry tale looks set for a happy ending. Yesterday Ansbacher unveiled a staggering bundle of losses and write-offs totalling £31.4 million, which wiped out all but £2.7 million of the group's shareholders' funds and would have left Ansbacher insolvent but for £7.8 million of goodwill relating to profitable insurance broking.

It is doubtful whether Ansbacher on its own could have survived such a blow, certainly not in its present form, but Albert Frère, the Belgian businessman who already owns 29.9 per cent through associated companies, Pergesa and Groupe Bruxelles Lambert, has come up trumps. Having invested £23.5 million in the group last year (£14.5 million in the form of convertible loan stock), Pargasa GBL are now underwriting a £35.6 million rights issue at 50p a share and converting their loan stock into equity. They will end up with between 50.7 and 81.4 per cent of Ansbacher, depending on the take up by other shareholders, and plan to make Ansbacher their flagship in London.

The $1.35 billion Pargesa GBL financial empire includes stakes in Drexel Burnham Lambert and various European banks. The idea is that Ansbacher will benefit from being part of this loose federation.

To seasoned Ansbacher watchers, last year's disastrious losses should not have come as a total surprise. In the 1960s and 1970s Ansbacher drifted along a rudderless course, under the nominal control of a succession of big shareholders. At one stage in the 1970s it discussed a merger with Johnson Matthey Bankers! There followed a lively period of expansion and deal-making under Charles (now Lord) Williams as managing director. As erratic profit record was punctuated by some unfortunate write-offs. Lord Williams left earlier this year, it is said £100,000 the richer. Richard Fenhalls, no stranger to problems at Guinness Hahon, came in early this year and set about, as he said yesterday, "creating a new Ansbacher." Ambitious expansion plans have been unwound and provisions made left, right and centre, leaving two core businesses – merchant banking and insurance broking.

Shareholders are told that the latest debacle is because of "over-ambitious expansion beyond the management and financial resources available to the group, compounded by the absence of adequate cost and operational controls over, and financial reporting systems from, the businesses acquired."

David Leroy-Lewis, Ansbacher's chairman was reluctant to be drawn on the issue of responsibility, beyond saying that in any organization like Ansbacher the chief executive has to bear the blame for basic mistakes.

Shareholders in Ansbacher can count their blessings. Without the Belgian lifeboat their investment would not be worth much today. Yesterday the shares rose 3p to 66p.

Interest rate cut on the cards

Lower interest rates may be on their way, despite recent explosive growth in the money supply which seems to demand dearer, not cheaper, credit. Yesterday sterling touched a peak of $1.2820, and a low of $1.2595, before closing in London at just over $1.27. Lower UK rates would take some of the pressure off sterling from the hot money speculators.

Lower rates might also remove some of the hesitancy which has recently characterized the funding programme. Traders yesterday were surprised to see the Government Broker appear with £400 million of taplets, including a £250 million tranche of Exchequer 10½ cent 2005. Popular demand may have motivated a mid-week matinée performance.

Between August 20 and November 7 last year, prior to the British Telecom flotation, bank base rates were stable at 10½ per cent. During November they fell in three steps to 9½ per cent, as the system was flooded with credit. A similar manoeuvre in the run-up to the call on BT shares (on June 24, £1.4 billion is due to be paid over), is not impossible but not probable, as the Bank of England will want to add to the reserves. But a single cut at some stage in the next four weeks should not be ruled out.

Some of the leading players in the discount market take this view. Roger Gibbs, chairman of Gerrard and National, floats the possibility in the 1985 annual report of the discount house, even though money supply and public sector borrowing are not under control. He stresses that any cut in rates would be a token.

G & N yesterday disclosed profits for 1985 of £5 million – well down on the 1984 figure of £10.1 million. The house however, still plans to go it alone in the new gilts world after 'Big Bang" – an intent based partly on its success in reading the market last year.

Dollar edges ahead despite feeble US economic growth

From Bailey Morris, Washington

The US economy grew by only 0.7 per cent at an annualized rate in the first quarter of the year in the worst performance since the final quarter of 1982, the Commerce Department said yesterday. Growth was revised downwards from an earlier estimate of 1.3 per cent.

During the same period, US corporate profits dropped by $1 billion (£787 million) or 0.7 per cent, down sharply by 7 per cent or $10 billion from the first quarter of last year.

The slowdown announced yesterday had been widely anticipated by financial markets, which had expected feeble to zero growth in the first quarter after the decision of the US Federal Reserve Board to cut the discount rate.

As a result, the dollar rose soon after the figures were published, knocking the pound down 1½ cents to $1.26. Later, the dollar edged back and the pound ended the day in London at $1.2722.

The figures however presented a dilemma to the Federal Open Market Committee which met yesterday and again today to determine what additional monetary steps need to be taken.

White House officials issued a statement yesterday intended to take the sting out of the new GNP figures: "We remain convinced that, despite the downward revision, all advance economic signs point upward and prospects for renewed growth are good". Mr Larry Speakes, the chief spokesman, said.

But Mr Preston Martin, vice-chairman of the Fed, which acts as a central bank, said this week that the "risks of a growth-recession" had increased significantly over the last few months.

For this reason, economists predict that the 12-member open market committee will authorize further credit easing measures today to be taken only if the economy does not bounce back in the second quarter.

Many analysts expect another discount rate cut by the summer to stimulate growth and another drop in the US prime lending rate to 9.5 per cent from 10 per cent before that.

Mr James Baker, the US Treasury Secretary, told a Senate committeee that, after the first quarter slowdown, the economy would not be strong in the present quarter.

He predicted, however, a strong rebound in the third and fourth quarters of the year. Mr Baker denied that the economy was sliding into recession, or that the weaker performance in the first half of the year meant that the overall growth target of close to 4 per cent will not be achieved. The Administration is due to revise its targets next month.

● In Britain, the index of longer leading indicators fell last month, the fourth consecutive monthly decline, David Smith writes. This would normally suggest an economic slowdown early next year. However, officials cautioned that the figures are distorted by the effects of the coal strike and that no firm view can be taken on the next turning point in economic activity.

£10.5m loan offer to help Lloyd's syndicate

By Alison Eadie

Lloyd's names on marine syndicate 895, who include tennis players Virginia Wade and Mark Cox, are being offerd an interest-free loan of £10.5 million ofer five years to meet estimated underwriting losses of £18.5 million net. Some £10 million has already been paid.

Chase Manhattan Bank has agreed to put up a letter of credit at 1¼ per cent over base rates. The interest will be paid 70 per cent by Willis Faber, which owns the syndicate's managing agency, Spicer & White, and 30 per cent by members' agents. The offer is expected to cost Willis about £2 million.

The unanimous agreement of the 25 members' agetns by June 3 is a conditin of the offer going ahead. About half of the 243 names will have to stop underwriting at Lloyd's if they do not receive financial help, but there is a danger less hard hit names will hold out and possibly sue.

Acceptance involves waiving legal rights for five years, but not for ever as was the case with Minet Holdings' £38 million compensation offer last year.

If the offer fails, names with a £20,000 share on the syndicate in 1982 will have to pay £25,000 in cash by June 30, as well as providing assets to cover the £12,000 balance of losses, in order to meet Lloyd's solvency requirements.

Net losses of £18.5 million at end December 1984 are £2 million less than estimated at June 30, 1984, because a new approach to reserving produced a surplus in 1981. However, the trading situation could deteriorate by next year, in which case the parties to the offer would have to consider whether they could increase it.

Willis's approach to its underwriting subsidiary is very different to that of Minet, which is closing down its subsidiary, Richard Beckett Underwriting Agencies, now facing losses of £130 million. Minet is offering no assistance.

Fall in dollar 'would cut UK growth'

A sharp dollar depreciation would cut growth in Britain, according to a forecast published today. The prediction, CISI-Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates, looks at the question of whether Europe can grow faster, under five different sets of assumptions.

The first assumes that the dollar falls by nearly 30 per cent in the second half of this year. This would allow lower interest rates in Britain, but would hit exports. The net effect, according to the forecast, is that gross domestic product is 0.6 per cent lower by 1988.

The second assumption is of lower oil prices. An early fall to $20 a barrel, would help Europe, but results in 0.3 per cent lower gross domestic product for Britain.

Caparo to sue over Fidelity accounts

By Patience Wheatcroft

Caparo Industries, which last October paid £14 million for Fidelity, the electronics company, is to sue the auditors, Touche Ross, and some of the former directors of the company.

Caparo is writing off £7.9 million against the acquistion and Mr Swraj Paul, the chairman, says: "Caparo has been advised that it can claim substantial compensation."

Mr Paul claims that both the profits and stock values of Fidelity were heavily overstated in the company's last accounts, the ones on which Caparo's bid was based. For the year to March 1984, Fidelity reported a profit increase from £80,000 to £1.3 million but Caparo says the actual result should have been a loss of £400,000.

Mr Paul also contends that spare parts which were shown as stock worth several million pounds in the Fidelity accounts were obsolete and worthless.

When Caparo first launched its bid, Fidelity said the offer of £13.5 million was inadequate and succeeded in squeezing a little more from Caparo.

Fidelity was set up by Mr Jack Dickman and since his death in 1982 has been run by his three sons

Swraj Paul: £7.9m write-off

The eldest, Mr Steven Dickman, was chairman and managing director until July last year

Two of the Dickman brothers left Fidelity within weeks of Caparo's takeover and the third left a month ago.

Fidelity had suffered a series of trading problems and the 1984 profits were almost £1 million below a rights issue forecast.

Yesterday, Caparo Industries reported 1984 profits up from £1.93 million to £2.76 million and a 10 per cent increase in the dividend. There is a £10.25 million rights issue, full take-up of which will reduce Caparo Group's stake in the company from 75 per cent to 66 per cent.

Citicorp in Billingsgate lease talks

By Judith Huntley
Commercial Property Correspondent

Citicorp International Bank is talking to Samuel Montagu, the merchant bank, about taking over its lease on the $185,000 sq ft Billingsgate Market development in the City of London. Citicorp confirmed that negotiations are taking place but said that nothing had yet been signed.

It appears that it is only the space in the refurbished former fish market which is under discussion and not the new offices which adjoin it. Citicorp International needs more space since taking Scrimgeour Kemp-Gee, and Vickers da Costa, the stockbrokers, under its wing.

Citicorp International also has staff in the Strand at Savoy Court East, the offices at the Savoy Hotel, refurbished by London & Leeds, the property arm of the Ladbroke Group, and at Citibank's headquarters at the Aldwych.

Citicorp says that for the present it intends keeping its Strand offices

Billingsgate Market was developed by S W Berisford, the commodity broker, in partnership with London & Edinburgh Trust, which has a 33 per cent stake in the scheme.

IN BRIEF

Burton set to bid

Mr Ralph Halpern, chairman of the Burton Group, is poised to launch a bid for Debenhams, Britain's second largest department store. But market sources were last night suggesting that the opening offer would be "some way below" the current share price.

Mr Halpern has the backing of Sir Terence Conran's Habitat Mothercare chain, which seems likely to enter the battle initially as adviser to Burton on the future development of the Debenhams stores. But Habitat Mohercare hopes to take over large part of the Debenhams stores

Debenhams' shares yesterday rose 4p to a peak of 329p, valuing the group at about £450 million.

RHM soars

Ranks Hovis McDougall announced a 56 per cent increase to £36.5 million in pretax profits for the six months to March. Sales were 7 per cent higher at £649 million and the interim dividend is up from 1.6p to 1.84p. **Tempus, page 19**

Merger agreed

Two Kent-based building societies plan to merge by March next forming an organization with assets of slightly more than £100 million. The Chatham Reliance and the Herne Bay societies will recommend to their 46,000 members later this year that a new one, the Kent Reliance, should be created.

ICI is to make a Eurosterling issue of up to £125 million. Of that, £75 million will be issued in one tranche. The bonds will be issued at par, carry a coupon of 11¼ per cent and mature in 10 years. This is ICI's second Eurosterling issue in less than a year. Last September, it raised £100 million.

JFB cuts loss

Johnson & Firth Brown, the Sheffield engineer, cut its pretax loss from £2.54 million to £1.21 million before tax in the half year to March. Sales were 18 per cent higher at £57.9 million. There is again no dividend.

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Correction

Sir Anthony Tuke, chairman of The Savoy Hotel, is a non-executive director of Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation. He is not, as we suggested yesterday, still chairman of RTZ, having retired from that role at the end of March.

US prepares for French intransigence

US trade officials are compiling a list of foreign agricultural markets in which they could retaliate against any French intransigence over the Common Agricultural Policy which might obstruct a new round of General Agricultural Tariffs and Trade talks in 1986.

Washington is saying publicly that President Mitterrand should be given time to work out his domestic political problems, but, there is growing concern that limited time remains to agree an agenda for a new set of trade talks next year, a date for which was blocked at the Bonn summit by France.

American officials yesterday indicated that they could deploy $2 billion (£1.57 million) as a last resort, to teach the French a lesson.

MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

FT Ind Ord	1020.2 (+ 4.2)
FT- A All Share	641.92 (+2.24)
FT Govt Securities	80.91 (+10.06)
FT-SE 100	1334.1 (+3.3)
Bargains	24,281)
Datastream USM	112.08 (−0.38)
New York	
Dow Jones	1303.90 (−0.90)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	12,650.37 (+91.27)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1612.22 (−26.25)
Amsterdam:	209.3 (+1.5)
Sydney: AO	898.1 (−6.3)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1283.8 (+5.0)
Brussels:	
General	233.78 (−2.73)
Paris: CAC	223.0 (+1.1)
Zurich:	
SKA General	358.00 (+2.20)

GOLD

London fixing:
am $316.50pm-$314.90
close $317.25-$317.75
New York:
Comex $317.15

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Richards (Leicester)	46+11
Ass Brit Eng	6½+1½
Bromsgrove Casting & Msc	32+5
Anglo Eastern	93+13
Goofman Bros	20+2½
City Site Estates	91+11
HB Elect	56+6
Whitworths Fds	128+13
Nesco Inv	61+6
T Clarke	50+4
Regalian Prop	118+10
Barham Grp	638+40
Brammer	347+27
F. H. Tomkins	204+14
Coats Patons	150+11
FALLS:	
Nu Swift Ind	59−8
Peters Stores	75−8
Pangkalen	450−50
Freshbake	72−7
Metal Sciences	10−1
Johnson and FB	18½−1½
Bula Resources	12−1
Portman Ming	12−1
Reardon Smith	13½−1
C. H. Bailey	19¼−1½

CURRENCIES

London:
£: $1.2722 (−0.025)
£: DM 3.8996 (+0.0023)
£: SwFr 3.2870 (+0.0036)
£: FFr 11.8950 (+0.0046)
£: Yen 318.50 (−0.08)
£ Index: 79.5 (−0.2).

New York:
£: $1.2777
$: DM 3.0515
$ Index: 145.4 (+1.5)

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 12¾ – 12½
3-month Interbank 12⅝–12⁹⁄₁₆
3-month eligible bills 12–11¹⁵⁄₁₆
buying rate

US:
Prime Rate 10.00
Federal Funds 7⅝
3-month Treasury Bills 7.31 – 7.27
Long bond yield 103½ – 103⅝

Gerrard & National PLC

Results for the year ended 5th April 1985

	1985	1984
Profit for the year	**£5.154m**	£10.117m
Total cost of Dividends	**£4.008m**	£3.590m
Disclosed Shareholders' Funds	**£60.098m**	£57.140m
Total Assets	**£3,666.915m**	£3,193.699m

Group Profit for the year. Group Profit after providing for taxation, minority interests and a transfer to Inner Reserves amounted to £5,154,000 (1984 £10,117,000).

Dividend. It is proposed that a final dividend of 10.2p (1984 9p) be paid on each Ordinary Share of 25p. When added to the Interim Dividend already paid of 3p (1984 3p) this makes a total of 13.2p (1984 12p) an increase of 10%. The proposed dividend on the Ordinary Shares of 25p each will be paid to Shareholders on the register at the close of business on the 3rd June, 1985.

Disclosed Shareholders' Funds. The Group's Disclosed Shareholders' Funds stand at £60.10 million compared with £57.14 million last year.

Total Assets. The Total Assets of the Group (excluding assets subject to repurchase arrangements) amount to £3,667 million compared with £3,194 million in 1984.

Extracts from the statement of the Chairman, R. G. Gibbs

Review of the Year. It would be no exaggeration to say that the last financial year was one of the most volatile in the history of this country, thus giving your company a very unfavourable trading background. In view of this I am pleased to inform you that group profits for the year amounted to £5,154,000 after taxation, minority interests and a transfer to inner reserves.

It has been a difficult but most stimulating twelve months in which turnover has been considerably higher than previously, averaging well over £1 billion a day.

Total Resources. Shareholders may be interested to know that we believe Gerrard and National now accounts for more than one third of the total resources of the London Discount Market compared with one eighth at the time of our merger in 1969.

The Future. We have applied to the Bank of England to become market makers in gilt-edged securities.

We intend to continue expanding all our present activities and particularly to increase our already extensive customer base. The closer relationship between money and capital markets, as well as the structural changes in the City, encourage us to explore further the various logical extensions to our traditional business.

We view the future with confidence and enthusiasm and are sure that there is, and will be, a role for the independent, international, fixed-interest specialist such as ourselves. We emphatically believe we are in the right place at the right time.

The Report and Accounts have been published

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WALL STREET

	May 20	May 17
AMF Inc	18½	18⅜
AMR	46⅞	45⅞
Allied Corp	42⅝	42⅛
Allied Stores	55	55
Allis Chalmers	6⅝	6⅝
Alcoa	34¼	33⅞
Amax Inc	16⅝	16⅝
Amerada Hess	29⅝	30¼
Am Brands	66⅝	65⅛
Am Broadcast	109⅝	110½
Am Can	56	55⅞
Am Cyanamid	54⅞	53
Am Elec Power	22⅝	22⅛
Am Express	45⅝	45⅛
Am Home	62⅝	62⅝
Am Motors	2⅞	3
Am Nat Res	64⅞	64⅞
Am Standard	29⅝	29¼
Am Telephone	24⅛	23⅝
Amoco	64⅝	64⅝
Armco Steel	7⅝	7¼
Asarco	24⅛	23¼
Ashland Oil	29⅝	29⅞
Atlntic Richfield	61½	61¼
Avon Products	20	20¼
Bankers Tst NY	74	73⅝
Bankamerica	22⅝	22
Bank of Boston	49⅞	49½
Bank of NY	43⅝	42⅝
Beatrice Foods	31⅞	31⅞
Bethlehem Steel	16⅝	16½
Boeing	64½	63
Boise Cascade	43⅝	41¾
Borden	73¾	73⅜
Borg Warner	22½	22½
Bristol Myers	61⅛	60½
BP	27⅞	27⅞
Burlington Ind	27⅝	26⅝
Burlington Nthn	57¼	56⅛
Burroughs	65¾	64⅛
Campbell Soup	69¼	67¼
Canadian Pacific	43½	43⅜
Caterpillar	34⅝	33⅞
Celanese	101½	101
Central Soya	24⅞	24⅞
Champion	23¾	23⅜
Chase Manhat	60¼	56⅞
Chem Bank NY	42⅝	42½
Chevron	34⅝	34⅜
Chrysler	35⅝	35⅞
Citicorp	49¼	48½
Clark Equip	28¼	28⅛
Coca Cola	69⅜	69⅝
Colgate	24⅝	25
CBS	111½	110⅞
Columbia Gas	29¾	30⅛
Combustion Eng	31½	31¼
Comwlth Edison	30⅞	30⅝
Cons Edison	34⅛	35¼
Cons Power	6⅝	6⅝
Control Data	30¾	30¾
Corning Glass	40½	40¼
CPC Intl	42⅞	43¼
Crane	37½	37
Crocker Int	26½	26½
Crown Zeller	40⅞	40⅝
Dart & Kraft	99⅞	93½
Deere	29¾	29⅞
Delta Air	45⅞	45¼
Detroit Edison	17⅛	16⅞
Digital Equip	107⅝	104½
Disney	83¼	81¾
Dow Chemical	32¼	32⅝
Dresser Ind	20½	20¼
Duke Power	33½	33⅜
Du Pont	59¾	58½
Eastern Air	8¼	8½
Eastman Kodak	43⅛	62¼
Eaton Corp	54½	53⅝
Emerson Elect	70⅝	68⅝
Evans Prod	2⅞	2⅛

	May 20	May 17
Exxon Corp	52⅞	51¾
Fed Dept Stores	61¾	61¼
Firestone	22¼	21⅞
Fst Chicago	28⅝	26¼
Fst Intrst Bncp	52⅝	52¼
Fst Penn Corp	7	7
Ford	43	41⅝
GAF Corp	35⅛	34⅞
GTE Corp	42	42
Gen Corp	46½	47¼
Gen Dynamics	71⅝	70⅝
Gen Electric	61⅝	59⅝
Gen Foods	65¼	65
Gen Mills	57⅝	57¼
Gen Motors	70⅝	69
Gen Pub Util NY	13⅛	12⅞
Genesco	5	4⅞
Georgia Pacific	24¼	24⅜
Gillette	62¾	61⅞
Goodrich	33⅛	33⅛
Goodyear	29⅞	29⅛
Gould Inc	21⅜	20⅝
Grace	41⅛	41⅝
Gt Atlfc & Pacific	16⅝	16⅝
Greyhound	29½	28¾
Grumman Corp	27	26
Gulf & West	38	37⅞
Heinz H. J.	51	49⅞
Hercules	36⅛	35½
Honeywell	60⅝	60
IC Inds	33¾	32¾
Ingersoll	47⅝	47
Inland Steel	23¾	23¾
IBM	132¾	130⅝
Int Harvester	9⅛	9¼
INCO	14½	14⅜
Int Paper	50⅞	50⅝
Int Tel Tel	34⅝	34
Irving Bank	40⅝	40
Jim Walter	35⅝	35
Johnson & John	47⅝	45¾
Kaiser Alumin	13⅝	13¾
Kerr McGee	32¼	32¼
Kimberly Clark	54½	53⅝
K Mart	37⅝	37¼
Kroger	44⅝	45⅞
L.T.V. Corp	8⅝	7⅞
Litton	72	73⅝
Lockheed	50⅞	49⅝
Lucky Stores	20⅞	20⅝
Manuf Hanover	42	41½
Manville Co	5½	5⅝
Mapco	34⅞	35¼
Marine Midland	37⅛	37¼
Martin Marietta	53⅛	51⅞
McDonnell	75¼	74
Mead	41½	40⅝
Merck	105¼	104
Minnesota Mng	78	77⅞
Mobil Oil	30⅞	30⅛
Monsanto	48⅝	47⅝
Morgan J. P.	52⅞	51½
Motorola	34¼	33⅝
NCR Corp	29⅞	29¼
NL Industries	11⅜	11⅜
Nabisco	64¾	64½
Nat Distillers	29⅞	30¼
Nat Med Ent	28⅝	26¾
Norfolk South	65⅝	63¾
NW Bancorp	26¼	26⅝
Occidental Pet	32⅛	31½
Ogden	29	31
Olin Corp	32	31⅛
Owens-Illinois	46	45⅛
Pacific Gas Elec	19¾	19½
Pan Am	6⅛	5⅞
Penney J. C.	49⅝	49½
Pennzoil	52¼	51⅞
Pepsico	56	53⅞
Pfizer	49⅝	48½
Phelps Dodge	21⅞	21¾

	May 20	May 17
Philip Morris	86⅞	85⅝
Phillips Petrol	38¼	38⅛
Polaroid	30⅝	30⅜
PPG Ind	38⅛	38¼
Proctor Gamble	52⅞	51¾
Pub Ser El & Gas	30¾	30½
Raytheon	46⅛	45⅝
RCA Corp	43⅝	43⅛
Reynolds Ind	78¼	78⅝
Reynolds Metal	36⅝	36
Rockwell Int	35⅞	35
Royal Dutch	59⅝	59
Safeways	31⅝	31⅛
Sara Lee	39¾	40⅞
SFE Sopac	28⅝	27⅞
SCM	48½	47⅝
Schlumberger	40⅞	39¾
Scott Paper	38	37¼
Seagram	44¼	44
Sears Roebuck	36⅝	36
Shell Oil	59⅝	59¾
Shell Trans	37⅛	36⅝
Signal Co	41⅝	41
Singer	37¼	37⅛
Smithkline Beck	66½	65⅞
Sony	16¼	16⅛
Sth Cal Edison	26⅝	26¼
Sperry Corp	54	54¼
Std Oil Ohio	48¾	48¼
Sterling Drug	31⅝	31
Stevens J. P.	19	18⅝
Sun Comp	51⅛	51¼
Teledyne	246½	243⅞
Tenneco	42⅝	42⅝
Texaco	37⅝	37½
Texas East Corp	38⅞	38
Texas Inst	93⅝	94
Texas Utilities	29¼	29⅞
Textron	51¼	50½
TWA	34¾	35⅝
Travelers Corp	48¼	48
TRW Inc	71⅜	70⅝
UAL Inc	46¾	47
Union Carbide	39¼	39⅝
Unocal	45⅞	46⅛
Un Pacific Corp	51½	51¾
Uniroyal	19¾	19⅞
United Brands	14⅞	15⅛
US Steel	29½	29
Utd Technol	41	40
Wachovia	38⅛	37⅝
Warner Lambert	40¼	39¼
Wells Fargo	59⅛	58
Westnghse Elec	33⅞	33⅝
Weyerhauser	29⅞	29½
Whirlpool	44⅝	44⅛
Woolworth	46⅛	46¼
Xerox Corp	50⅛	49⅞
Zenith	22¼	21½
CANADIAN PRICES		
Abitibi	18¼	18⅛
Alcan Alumin	35⅞	34⅞
Algoma Steel	21¾	22
Bell Telephone	41⅞	41⅞
Can Pacific	19⅞	19¾
Cominco	13⅝	13½
Cons Bathurst	15¾	16¼
Gulf Oil	19⅞	19⅝
Hawker/Sid Can	19⅛	19¼
Hudson Bay Min	7½	7½
Imasco	29	29⅛
Imperial Oil	52¾	52⅞
Int Pipe	38¾	38
Mass.-Fergsn	2.95	2.95
Royal Trustco	20⅝	20⅝
Seagram	60¼	59½
Steel Co	19¾	19½
Thomson N 'A'	21⅜	21
Walker Hiram	31¼	30⅞
WCT	17¾	17½

● Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Dow takes early fall

New York (Agencies) – Shares headed lower in active early trading on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down one point at 1,303.88, the New York Stock Exchange index was down 0.23 to 10.49 and the price of an average share was down 8 cents.

First-hour big-board volume amounted to about 34.09 million shares compared with 47.117 million in the same period on Monday. Declining issues led advancing stock by nearly seven-to-six among the 959 issues crossing the New York Stock Exchange tape.

The S & P 500 and New York Stock Exchange composite indexed were down fractionally while the Dow Jones transportation average was down about three points and the Dow Jones utility average was down about a point.

Blue chip issues held near thier record close of Monday.

Profit-taking was in evidence after Monday's first-ever close above 1,300.

Dominion resources led the active stocks, up ⅛ at 31⅞.

Mesa Petroleum was down ⅞ at 15½. An investor group led by Mr T. Boone Pickens, the chairman, has reached a settlement ending its takeover bid for Unocal Corp under which the Pickens group could sustain a loss estimated to be between $75 million and $130 million.

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

Rubber in £'s per tonne;
Coffee and cocoa
in pounds per metric ton;
Gas-oil and sugar in $
per metric tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

The figures for live pig, pig meat, potatoes and grain refer to Monday's trading.

RUBBER	
Jun	715–90
Jul	725–00
Aug	735–10
Sep	745–20
Oct	755–30
Nov	765–40
Dec	775–50
Jan	unquoted
Feb	Unquoted
Jul/Sep	735–10
Oct/Dec	765–40
Jan/Mar	unquoted
Vol	nil

SUGAR	
Aug	98.0–97.6
Oct	100.8–100.6
Dec	106.0–105.4
Mar	118.8–18.6
May	122.4–22.2
Aug	127.4–27.0
Oct	132.6–32.2
Vol	660

COCOA	
May	1748–35
Jul	1782–81
Sep	1773–72
Dec	1747–48
Mar	1757–55
May	1770–67
Jul	1785–71
Vol	137/1533

COFFEE	
May	2027–26
Jul	2077–76
Sep	2119–18
Nov	2163–58
Jan	2195–91
Mar	2180–65
May	2180–45
Vol	116/2602

GAS OIL	
Jun	216.75–16.50
Jul	215.75–15.50
Aug	217.00–18.75
Sep	219.00–18.75
Oct	222.00–20.75
Nov	225.00–22.00
Dec	230.00–23.00
Jan	229.75–23.00
Feb	229.75–22.00
Vol	Nil/729

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Unofficial prices:
Official turnover figures
Prices in pounds per metric ton
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE	
Cash	1173.00-1175.00
Three months	1177.00-1178.00
T/O:	11300
Tone	Easier
STANDARD CATHODES	
Cash	1162.00-1164.00
Three months	1166.00-1167.00
T/O:	Nil
Tone	Idle
TIN STANDARD	
Cash	9530-9540
Three months	9495-9500
T/O:	410
Tone	Firm
TIN HIGH–GRADE	
Cash	9530-9540
Three months	9505-9510
T/O:	60
Tone	Quiet
LEAD	
Cash	292.00-293.00
Three months	297.00-298.00
T/O:	1,550
Tone	Steadier
ZINC STANDARD	
Cash	635.00-636.00
Three months	646.00-646.50
T/O:	4,100
Tone	Barely steady
ZINC HIGH GRADE	
Cash	680.00-685.00
Three months	685.00-682.00
T/O:	100
Tone	Quiet
SILVER LARGE	
Cash	483.0-485.0
Three months	496.5-498.5
T/O:	50
Tone	Easy
SILVER SMALL	
Cash	483.0-486.0
Three months	498.5-499.5
T/O:	Nil
Tone	Idle
ALUMINIUM	
Cash	873.00-874.00
Three months	895.00-895.50
T/O:	5,000
Tone	Barely steady
NICKEL	
Cash	4450-4455
Three months	4392-4395
T/O:	282
Tone	Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION:

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on May 21:

GB: Cattle, 100.86p per kg lw (+0.43)
GB: Sheep, 195.86p per kg est d c w (−25.61).
GB: Pigs, 80.85p per kg lw (−1.30).

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 5.3 per cent, ave. price, 99.88p (+0.12).
Sheep nos. up 0.1 per cent, ave. price, 195.39p (−1.44).
Pig nos. down 0.4 per cent, ave. price, 80.48p (−1.44).

Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 9.6 per cent, ave. price, 103.03p (+1.18).
Sheep nos. up 4.2 per cent, ave. price, 202.66p (−20.54).
Pig nos. up 21.5 per cent, ave. price, 83.48p (−0.73).

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Live Pig Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Jun	unquoted	100.0
Jul	94.0	96.0
Aug	97.5	96.3
Sep	100.0	98.5
Oct	101.5	100.3
Nov	102.0	100.5
Jan	93.5	93.5
Feb	94.3	94.5
Mar	95.0	95.3
Apr	94.8	95.0
May	94.5	unquoted

PIG MEAT
£ per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Jun	108.0	107.9
Aug	101.7	101.5
Oct	108.8	108.7
Nov	107.0	109.8
Feb	99.8	99.7
Apr	100.1	99.9
Vol.:		44

LONDON POTATO FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
May	81.00	82.00
Nov	63.80	64.00
Feb	71.50	73.00
Apr	85.00	84.80
May	89.80	90.00

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

£ per Tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
May	£118.50	£112.80
Jul	£121.10	
Sep	£98.85	£98.85
Nov	£103.25	£102.55
Jan	£106.70	£106.10
Mar	£110.00	£109.10

May Jul Sep Nov Jan Mar

Volume:
Wheat 81
Barley 28

APPOINTMENTS

Caverswall China Co: Mr Graham Hart has become managing director.

Dun & Broadstreet: Mr Gerry Stevenson has been named as personnel director.

Sketchley: Mr Simon Bee has been made managing director of the UK retail cleaning division.

Hill Samuel & Co: Mr John Kibble has been appointed to the board.

Owl Creek Investments: Lord Rawlinson of Ewell is to be chairman.

Lloyds Bank: Mr Peter Shields has been named as regional director and general manager at the Yorkshire and Humberside regional head office at Leeds.

Pilkington Group: Mr Glen Nightingale becomes chairman and chief executive, Pilkington Glass; Mr Alan Judge chief executive, Pilkington Insulation; Mr Hugh Gair, chief executive, Pilkington Reinforcements; and Mr Alan Nicholson, chief executive, Pilkington Contracting.

The Institution of Industrial Managers: Mr Peter Crooks is to be chief executive.

United Kingdom Agricultural Supply Trade Association: Mr Patrick Montgomery has been elected president.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

The markets had a quiet day all round, finding no inspiration in the performance of sterling and hampered by a clouded near-term outlook for base retes.

Periods showed no significant change.

Day-to-day money held 12½-⅝ per cent throughout the morning and into the afternoon.

It firmed to 13½-12¾ per cent in the later part of the afternoon, but eased to a closing level around 12½ per cent.

Local authorities showed no real interest.

Eurodollar deposits firmed slightly and briefly in the afternoon after the latest clutch of US economic pointers, but these failed to cause any real stir and the end of the day found the rate pattern looking virtually unchanged.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 12¾-12½
Finance House 13½

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 12¾ Low 12
Week fixed: 12⅝-12½

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 months 12⅛; 3 months 11²⁷⁄₃₂
Selling: 2 months 12³⁄₃₂; 3 months 11²⁵⁄₃₂

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 month 12⅝-12½; 3 months 12-11¹⁵⁄₁₆
2 months 12⅛-12³⁄₁₆; 6 months 11⁷⁄₈-12¹³⁄₃₂

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 month 12²⁹⁄₃₂; 3 months 12⅝
2 months 12¾; 6 months 12⁹⁄₁₆

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 12¾ close 12¼
1 week 12⅝-12⅝; 1 month 12⅝-12⅝; 3 months 12¼-12⁹⁄₁₆
6 months 12½-12⁵⁄₁₆; 9 months 12⅞-12⅜; 12 months 12⁵⁄₁₆-12³⁄₁₆

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 12⅞; 1 month 12⅝; 6 months 12¼
7 days 12⅛; 3 months 12⅞; 12 months 11⅞

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 month 13½-12¾; 3 months 13-12⅞; 9 months 12⅝-12⅜
2 months 13¼-12¼; 6 months 12¾-12½; 12 months 12½-12¼

Sterling CDs (%)
1 month 12¹¹⁄₁₆-12¹⁹⁄₃₂; 3 months 12½-12⅜
6 months 12⁵⁄₁₆-12⁵⁄₁₆; 12 months 11¹⁵⁄₁₆-11¹³⁄₁₆

Dollar CDs (%)
1 month 7.65-7.55; 3 months 7.80-7.70
6 months 8.00-7.90; 12 months 8.45-8.35

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar
7 days 7¹³⁄₁₆-7¹¹⁄₁₆; 3 months 8-7⅞
call 7⅛-6⅞; 1 month 7¹¹⁄₁₆-7⁹⁄₁₆; 6 months 8⅛-8⅛

Deutschmark
7 days 5⅝-5½; 3 months 5⅝-5⁹⁄₁₆
call 5⅛-4⅞; 1 month 5⅝-5⅝; 6 months 5⅞-5¾

French Franc
7 days 10½-10; 3 months 10⅝-10⁹⁄₁₆
call 10⅞-9⅞; 1 month 10⅝-10⁵⁄₁₆; 6 months 10⅝-10⁹⁄₁₆

Swiss Franc
7 days 2⅜-2¼; 3 months 5¼-5⅛
call 2⅛-1⅞; 1 month 5⅝-5¼; 6 months 5⁹⁄₁₆-5⁷⁄₁₆

Yen
7 days 6⅜-6⅛; 3 months 6⅜-6¼
call 6⅛-5⅞; 1 month 6⅝-6¼; 6 months 6⅝-6⅛

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin):
$326-327.50 (£256.25-257.75)
Sovereigns* (new):
$75-76.50 (£59-60.25)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period 3 April, 1985, to 7 May, 1985, inclusive: 12.787 per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Unsettled trading conditions persisted on foreign exchange markets yesterday.

Initially, the dollar, behind the strength of an overnight rally, showed to advantage against most leading currencies when London opened. But in fitful and sometimes nervous conditions, it failed to consolidate.

The mark came under some pressure dipping to DM3.0900 against the dollar before rallying at the close to DM3.0600

Sterling, on the other hand, looked steady. It fell back as the dollar advanced, slipping to $1.2600 at one time, but bounced back to reach $1.2722 at the finish.

The pounds' trade-weighted index, which took a sharp tumble to 79.1 at one stage, had recovered to 79.5 at the close compared with 79.7 overnight.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range May 21	Market rates close May 21	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.2620-1.2805	$1.2715-1.2730	0.56-0.53c prem	1.45-1.40c prem
Montreal	$1.7410-1.7510	$1.7420-1.7466	0.55-0.50c prem	0.96-0.98c disc
Amsterdam	4.3885-4.41786	4.4007-4.41228	2⅛-2c prem	6⅛-5⅞c prem
Brussels	78.12-78.77f	78.45-78.67f	29-23c prem	72-63c prem
Copenhagen	13.9960-14.0310k	13.9680-14.0070k	4⅛-3⅞ore prem	12⅛-11⅜ore prem
Dublin	1.2422-1.2500p	1.2469-1.2479p	19-2p disc	39-6p prem
Frankfurt	3.8885-3.9085m	3.8946-3.9056m	2⅛-2⅝pf prem	6⅛-6⅛pf prem
Lisbon	217.50-223.93e	218.70-222.78e	95-420e disc	320-1215e disc
Madrid	217.50-220.48p	219.84-220.48p	5 prem-25p disc	15-70p disc
Milan	2479.80-2489.50lr	2487.37-2499.22lr	4-parlr	4 prem-2lr disc
Oslo	11.2050-11.2735k	11.2337-11.2724k	⅛-⅛ore prem	¾ prem-⅝ore disc
Paris	11.8580-11.9340f	11.8758-11.9153f	3-2¾c prem	7⅛-6⅞c prem
Stockholm	11.2490-11.3390k	11.2718-11.3106k	2⅛-3⅛ore disc	8⅛-9⅛ore disc
Tokyo	316.13-319.88y	318.18-318.76y	1⅛-1⅛y prem	5-4⅞y prem
Vienna	27.20-27.47sch	27.38-27.45sch	15⅛-13⅝gro prem	40⅛-38⅝gro prem
Zurich	3.2660-3.2980f	3.2817-3.2920f	2⅝-2⅛c prem	6⅛-5⅞c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down 0.2 at 79.5 (day's range 79.7-79.1).

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.0155-1.0175
Singapore	2.2050-2.2080
Malaysia	2.4610-2.4640
Australia	0.6930-0.6940
Canada	1.3712-1.3722
Sweden	8.86-8.87
Norway	8.84-8.85
Denmark	11.01-11.02
West Germany	3.0620-3.0650
Switzerland	2.5820-2.5870
Netherlands	3.4550-3.4600
France	9.3250-9.3350
Japan	250.20-250.35
Italy	1950-1953
Belgium(Comm)	61.50-61.60
Hong Kong	7.7720-7.7740
Portugal	171-175
Spain	171.30-171.60
Austria	21.55-21.65

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina peso*	669.60-670.56
Australia dollar	1.8324-1.8366
Bahrain dinar	0.4795-0.4835
Brazil cruzeiro*	6716-6747
Cyprus pound	0.7820-0.7920
Finland marka	8.1215-8.1410
Greece drachma	171.70-173.70
Hong Kong dollar	9.8836-9.8940
India rupee	15.60-15.80
Iraq dinar	n.a.
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.3845-0.3855
Malaysia dollar	3.1296-3.1390
Mexico peso	300-325
New Zealand dollar	2.8041-2.8126
Saudi Arabia riyal	459-463
Singapore dollar	2.8040-2.8102
South Africa rand	2.5182-2.5252
United Arab Emirates dirham	4.6695-4.7095

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
June 85	87.52	87.59	87.51	87.53	107
Sep 85	88.50	88.56	88.42	88.46	947
Dec 85	88.77	88.81	88.74	88.77	134
Mar 86	88.94	88.94	88.94	88.90	17
Jun 86	NT			89.00	0
Previous day's total open interest 7317					
Three Month Eurodollar					
Jun 85	91.85	91.97	91.90	91.94	702
Sep 85	91.36	91.43	91.28	91.31	4440
Dec 85	90.97	90.98	90.89	90.91	607
Mar 86	90.64	90.65	90.55	90.57	229
Jun 86	90.34	90.34	90.28	90.29	4
Previous day's total open interest 16921					
US Treasury Bond					
Jun 85	75-15	75-16	75-00	75-04	2833
Sep 85	74-09	74-12	74-01	74-05	36
Previous day's total open interest 3066					
Long Gilt					
Jun 85	105-29	105-01	105-19	105-19	1828
Sep 85	NT			109-01	0
Dec 85	NT			109-07	0
Mar 86	NT			108-27	0
Previous day's total open interest 3729					
FT-SE 100					
Jun 85	133.65	134.10	132.80	133.30	319
Sep 85	134.30	134.30	133.80	133.90	21
Dec 85	NT				
Previous day's total open interest 1493					

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
193	182	Aberdeen	191	● ..	9.4b	4.9	..
101	87½	Alisa	97½	..	2.0b	2.1	..
686	559	Alliance	673	+6	24.6	3.7	..
155	118	Amer Trust	138	+3	4.1	3.0	..
302	284	Ang Amer Sec	278	+2	8.1	2.9	..
145	129	Ashdown	134	..	3.9	2.9	..
120	88	Atlantic Assets	112	+1	0.7	0.6	..
102	83	Bankers	94	● ..	3.5b	3.7	..
194	167	Berry	182	+1	1.4b	0.8	..
179	152	Border & Sthrn	165	● +1	4.7	2.9	..
110	100	Br Amer Gen	110	..	3.7	3.4	..
215	192	Br Assets	206	● +2	9.9b	4.8	..
29½	25	Br Empire Sec	28	r −¼	1.3	4.6	..
375	325	British Inv	350	● ..	20.3	5.8	..
75	64	Brunner	73	..	2.9	3.9	..
89	72	Charter Agency	85	+1	3.1b	3.6	..
685	525	Continental	685	..	25.7b	4.0	..
178	140	Crescent Japan	145	+1	1.1	0.8	..
485	385	Delta	395	..	..	..	..
109	97	Derby Inc	104	+1	10.2	9.8	..
105	95	Do Cap	102	..			
295	264	Drayton Cons	290	● ..	13.4	4.6	..
148	126	Drayton Far East	130	+1	1.6	1.2	..
429	348	Drayton Japan	363	+6	3.6	1.0	..
412	363	Drayton Premier	401	..	18.2	4.5	..
193	162	Dundee Lon	178	..	6.7	3.7	..
118	89	Edin Amer Asset	106	+4	0.6	0.6	..
117	103	Edinburgh	115	● +2	4.1	3.5	..
292	254	Electric Gen	273	..	4.8b	1.8	..
254	228	English Int	253	..	10.0	4.0	..
78	66	English Scot	71	..	1.8	2.5	..
108½	91	English NY	105	..	3.6	3.4	..
97	85	F & C Alliance	89	+2	2.4	2.7	..
186	140	F&C Pacific	143	● +1	5.4	3.7	..
224	186	Family	224	+2	9.9	4.4	..
279	242	First Scot Amer	254	..	12.0b	4.9	..
190	160	First Un Gen	180	● ..	8.7b	4.9	..
580	440	Fleming American	485	+15	7.5	1.5	..
265	235	Fleming Claver	266	+2	12.4	4.7	..
264	233	Fleming Enterprise	264	+3	11.1	4.2	..
328	260	Fleming Far East	269	● +4	4.3	1.6	..
112	100	Fleming Fledgling	113	+2	3.6	3.2	..
580	450	Fleming Japan	471	● +3	4.3	0.9	..
118	108	Fleming Mercantile	118	+1	4.3b	3.6	..
134	106	Fleming Overseas	112	+2	3.3b	3.0	..
169	139	Fleming Tech	141	−1	3.1	2.2	..
334	278	Fleming Universal	302	+2	11.4	3.8	..
74	63½	For Col	67	s +¼	1.8	2.7	..
121	92	GBC Capital	101	● ..	..	..	..
165	146	GT Japan	148	..	2.0b	1.4	..
618	560	General Funds	580	..	13.6	2.3	..
281	230	General Cons	252	+2	13.1	5.2	..

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P.E
125	106	Glasgow Stock	117	+1	2.9	2.5	..
278	251	Globe	278	+2	12.9	4.7	..
242	202	Greenfriar	242	+2	2.3	0.9	..
275	245	Gresham House	250	..	5.7	2.3	..
163	138	Hambros	159	+1	5.4	3.4	..
254	226	Hill (P)	250	+1	13.2	5.3	..
540	498	Invest-in Success	510	+2	7.8	1.5	..
235	212	Inv Cap	225	..	5.2b	2.3	..
62	51	Japan Assets	52	..	0.1	0.1	..
329	272	Lake View	287	● +4	6.6	2.3	..
191	165	Law Debenture	175	+2	7.9	4.5	..
86	68	Lon Merchant Sec	84	..	2.8	3.3	..
107	92	Lon Trust	100	..	3.9	3.9	..
96	85	Merchants	95½	+¼	5.4b	5.6	..
174	147	Monks	156	..	3.4b	2.2	..
118	108	Murray Income	117	..	6.4a	5.5	..
98	85	Murray Growth	94	..	2.0	2.1	..
134	112	Murray Intl	124	● +1	6.4	5.2	..
189	163	Murray Small	170	..	3.3	1.9	..
292	270	Murray Venture	289	● ..	6.3b	2.2	..
385	358	New Court	359	● +1	20.4	5.7	..
77	67	New Darien Oil	75	+1	0.5	0.6	..
178	150	1928	168	..	6.7	4.0	..
38½	37	Nwthrog Inc 83	38½	..	3.3	8.3	..
243	180	New Tokyo	185	+1	2.1	1.2	..
324	274	Nth Atlantic Sec	280	● +2	4.8	1.8	..
123	104	Nth Sea Assets	112	..	0.7	0.6	..
283	238	Nthn Amer	250	..	7.7	3.1	..
139	128	Outwich	134	+1	4.3	3.2	..
46	32	Personal Assets	41	..	0.3	0.7	..
340	305	Raeburn	317	−1	13.6	4.3	..
137	125	River & Merc	129	..	7.1	5.5	..
236	198	River Plate	218	+1	10.3	4.7	..
192	168	Robeco	173	+1	..	..	..
171	150	Rolinco	157	+2	..	..	..
287	233	Romney	244	..	6.6	2.7	..
11⅛	10	Rorento	£10⅛	−⅛	..	..	..
113	96	St Andrews	105	+1	3.7	3.5	..
273	241	Scottish	270	+5	7.4	2.7	..
244	211	Scot American	244	+2	8.0	3.3	..
88½	73	Scot Eastern	81	s +1	2.7	3.3	..
406	356	Scot Mtge	389	● +2	10.7b	2.8	..
243	212	Scot Nat	230	+4	6.1	2.6	..
136	119	Scot Nthn	136	● +3	5.4	3.9	..
380	365	Scot Merc 'A'	378	..	13.1	3.5	..
596	500	Secnd Alliance	556	+6	20.4b	3.7	..
123	108	Sec Of Scotland	123	● +1	5.7b	4.6	..
78	64	Smaller Cos	76	..	2.4	3.2	..
38	32	Stewart Enterp	38	..	0.6	1.5	..
146	112	Stockholders	130	..	3.6	2.7	..
100	87	Tr Australia	91	● ..	2.9	3.2	..

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P E
87	76	Tr City Of Lon Dfd	87	● +1	4.4b	5.1	..
155	138	Tr Ind & Gen	151	+1	4.8b	3.2	..
255	234	Tr Natural Res	242	..	10.7	4.4	..
222	186	Tr North America	189	+2	4.9b	2.6	..
293	250	Tr Pacific Basin	261	+3	2.9	1.1	..
145	134	Tr Property	144	..	4.7	3.3	..
101	85	Tr Tech	91	● +1	2.5	2.7	..
139	124	Tr Trustees	139	+2	4.9	3.5	..
123	111	Temple Bar	123	+1	6.6	5.4	..
250	211	Throgmorton	249	+1	10.7	4.3	..
280	248	Throg Secured Cap	283	+4	..	..	..
167	147	Trans Oceanic	156	● +1	4.9b	3.1	..
120	106	Tribune	108	+1	3.2	3.0	..
79½	74	Triplevest Inc	74½	..	13.4	17.9	..
216	186	US Debenture	210	+1	9.3	4.4	..
82	71	Viking Resource	78	..	1.6	2.1	..
82	61	Westpool	82	..	2.0	2.4	..
110	95	Winterbottom Enrgy	101	..	1.0	1.0	..
159	139	Witan	158	+1	3.9	2.5	..
294	259	Yeoman	282	..	12.3	4.4	..

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P E
410	315	Akroyd & Smithers	320	● −5	23.6	7.4	13.4
57⅜	31⅝	American Express	£35 13/16	+⅛	..	..	..
30	18	Argyle	27	..	..	..	13.8
85	63	Boustead	78	..	..	..	..
115	88	Britannia Arrow	108	● −1	3.6	3.3	17.5
113	91	CJR Pacific	93	+2	..	..	..
41	25	Do Warrants	27	..			
13⅛	8⅝	Daily Mail	£13⅜	..	55.0	4.0	14.8
13⅞	8⅝	Do 'A'	£12⅞	+⅛	55.9	4.4	13.5
129	113	Electra	125	+1	5.1	3.9	34.4
101	80	Eng Assoc	94	..	4.3b	4.6	13.3
743	528	Exco	693	● +10	12.9	1.9	18.5
95	68	Exploration	78	..	4.5	5.8	12.7
12⅛	10	First Charlotte	11⅞	● ..	0.1	0.6	..
775	708	Framlington	715	−10	12.9	1.8	18.3
90	56	Frost (J D & D)	88	● ..	6.0	6.7	12.3
105	44	Goode (D & M)	102	..	1.8	1.8	17.8
720	578	Henderson Admin	715	−5	15.7	2.2	15.1
7⅛	3⅝	M & G	6⅝	+¼	17.9	2.7	25.8
369	284	Mercantile House	279	+2	17.5	6.3	7.1
405	340	Mills & Allen	355	..	20.8	5.8	10.9
124	93	Smith Brothers	122	+1	7.8	6.4	5.2

AUTHORIZED UNIT TRUSTS

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COMPANY NEWS

● **SPENCER CLARK METAL INDUSTRIES:** Half year to September 30. Interim 2.5 per cent (nil), payable on July 17. (Figures in £000). Turnover 6,294 (4,374). Operating profit 403 (162). Interest payable 138 (119). Profit before tax 265 (43). Tax 4 (nil).

● **BRITISH BORNEO PETROLEUM SYNDICATE:** Final 12.5p equivalent to 17.8571p (14.2857p) making 25p (21.4286p). Gross for year to March 31, payable on July 19. (Figures in £000). Profit on dealing activities 665 (7-3). Short term interest received and other income 175 (130). Income from US oil and gas producing properties 100 (131). Exchange profit on currency conversions 94 (8). Making income 2,280 (2,023). Amortization of US oil and gas producing properties debit 41 (38). Administration expenses 106 (110). Consultants' fees 57 (82). Interest payable 287 (296).

● **MAJEDIE INVESTMENTS:** Figures in £000. Investment income 493 (441) half-year to March 31. Profit before tax 638 (732).

● **GOLDSMITHS GROUP:** Final 5.5p, making 7.5p (5.5p) for year to Feb 28. Figures in £000. Turnover 41,540 (18,324).

● **CITY SITE ESTATES:** Half-year to March 31. Interinm 0.41p (0.34p). The board intends a final of the same amount, making 0.82 (68p) for the year. Figurs in £000. Rental income 218 (199). Pretax profit 504 (120).

● **CRAMPHORN:** Interim dividend 1.677p (1.667p) for the 26 weeks to Jan 5. Figures in £000. Turnover 5,636 (5,540). Pretax loss 29 (profit 84).

● **WARNFORD INVESTMENTS:** Final 8p (7.5p), making 14.5p (13.5p) for 1984. Figures in £000. Turnover 5,500 (4,976). Profit before tax 4,207 (3,715).

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● **HOWARD GROUP:** Interim dividend of 4.3p on shares now in issue was paid before the placing to the then existing shareholders. Figures for six months to March 31 in £000. Net brokerage 1840 (1339). Pretax profit 1317 (736). After expenses 1192 (1137) but including other operations income 669 (534). Tax 599 (372). Minorities debit 52 (53). Earnings for share 5.7p (2.7p).

● **HILL SAMUEL GROUP:** The acquisition by the company's subidiary, Noble Lowndes and Partners, has now been completed for a cash price of $17.6 million.

● **ANVIL/BERKELEY:** The Berkeley Exploration and Production offer for Anvil Petroleum has been declared unconditional in all respects.

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
Asda Property 20p Ord (172)	178
Aspen Communications 5p Ord (125a)	177
Assoc Steel Dist £1 Ord (155a)	180
Bedford (Wm) 5p Ord (a*)	163+3
Blagden Ind 25p Ord (130)	118
Brit Aerospace 50p Ord (375) £2pd	235-4
Crown Int Prod 10p Ord (60a)	88
Datron Int 5p Ord (84a)	103+2
Domino Print Sciences 5p Ord (200)	295
Electron House 10p Ord (117a)	128+5
Howard Group 5p Ord (129a)	198
Huntleigh Technology 5p Ord (150a)	203-2
Laidlaw Thomson 25p Ord (82a)	79
Maxiprint 1p Ord (28a)	30+1
Moorgate Grp 5p Ord (120a)	180
Norscot Hotels 50p Ord (113a)	114
Persimmon 10p Ord (110)	107-1
Prestwick Hldgs 5p Ord (100)	101-1
Sherwood Computer 10p Ord (145a*)	190+2
Sintrom 10p Ord (175)	180
Wayne Kerr 10p Ord (130a)	142
Wyko Group 10p Ord (68a)	68

Issue price in parentheses a Unlisted Securities. * by tender

King & Shaxson PLC

EXTRACTS FROM THE STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN, Mr. W. E. C. D'ABBANS

to be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Company on 13th June 1985

I have pleasure in submitting my first Annual Report since my appointment as Chairman of the Board of Directors on the 30th November 1984. I succeeded Mr. Hohler who has been a Director since the Company went public and Chairman since 1965.

Your Directors report a profit for the year of £788,000 after provision for rebate, tax and transfer to inner reserves. A final dividend of 5.75 pence per Ordinary share is proposed making a total of 8.25 pence for the year ended 30th April 1985.

The year has seen extreme volatility in the level of sterling against other currencies and hence in the level of domestic interest rates. Within ten weeks of the start of the Company's year base rates had risen from 8½% to 12% before relapsing again to 9½% in November. There followed a period of open neglect of the currency until in early January base rates rose 1% to 10½%. Typically, this action proved to be "too little too late" to satisfy foreign exchange markets and by the end of the month a crisis level of 14% had been reached. It was generally felt that such a level would not hold for long and period rates immediately began to discount a rapid fall. To date that fall has amounted to a grudging 1½% and hopes of a further cut in the near future have evaporated. Throughout this latter period money costs have remained obstinately high, further eroding such capital profits as were to be made.

To turn to the year in prospect, much the same anxieties persist as were evident twelve months ago. The monthly money supply figures announced on the 7th May were the worst for five years and showed an annualised growth in M3 and PSL2 of 19% over the past three months. Even the present high real cost of borrowing has had no impact on the alarming expansion of bank lending. There are few signs that the U.S. budget deficit will be brought under control and the price of oil and the level of sterling cannot be predicted with confidence. The only certainty is that we start the current year with interest rates at a substantially higher level than a year ago. In the meantime your Company has weathered the storms well and is in good shape to profit from opportunities as they arise.

Much prominence has been given in the press and elsewhere to the proposed changes in the Stock Exchange and in particular to the gilt edged market. The Board consider that primary dealership is an inappropriate venture for your Company at the present time.

Copies of the 1985 Annual Report and Accounts may be obtained from The Secretary, King & Shaxson PLC, 52 Cornhill, London EC3V 3PD.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Dee Corporation carries out its Booker McConnell sale threat

By Derek Pain and Pam Spooner

Dee Corporation, the thrusting food group headed by Mr Alec Monk, yesterday carried out its threat to sell its near 16 per cent shareholding in Booker McConnell, the food-to-health-products group.

It sold its shares, worth more than £50 million, to a variety of buyers. An announcement confirming the disposal, carried out by Rowe and Pitman, the broker, is expected shortly.

When his £350 million bid for Booker failed, Mr Monk said he intended to sell the shareholding "at our convenience in a manner which will be of the most benefit to Dee shareholders". Just before launching his £335 million bid he raised more than a few City eyebrows by reducing his Booker stake by 4 per cent.

The Dee sale was well-timed with Booker's shares drawing *the benefit from an analyst visit* to the company's American operations.

Booker bitterly resisted the Dee offer which was cleared early this year by the Monopolies Commission.

The Dee bid was worth about 270p a share. After the sale the Booker price was up 4p to 260p. Dee shares rose 8p to 250p.

Helping the Dee price was the growing feeling that present year profits could hit £80 million against earlier expectations of £70 million.

With the proceeds of its Booker sale and its strengthening share price it would appear that the ambitious Mr Monk has another take over target in his sights. Popular guess was that he could well descend on either the Kwik Save Discount or Hillards supermarket chains.

Coats Patons, the Glasgow textile group, became a lively market as the City heard there are plans afoot to launch a American depository receipts (ADR) facility for the shares in the US. Next month there will be two presentations to American brokers and investors in New York and Boston as a prelude to the launch.

Directors of Coats also had lunch at James Capel, the broker, and the profusion of news on the share marketing side brought an 11p jump in the share price to 150p. The company made profits of close on £110 million last year, against £87 million in 1983, and encouraging trading news for the present year is expected to be revealed in those upcoming presentations.

Telephone Rentals fell 5p to 208p yesterday as Laurie, Milbank & Co, the broker, pondered the company's vulnerability to growing competition from British Telecom. Mr Patrick Hickey, the analyst, rates *the shares a sell*. He believes growth will be *slow* and forecasts profits of £16 million this year and £17 million next year.

Nottingham Manufacturing, the hosiery and knitwear supplier which has Marks and Spencer as a main customer, dipped 2p to 212p as it was paid a visit by another stockbroking firm. De Zoete & Bevan took a look at the group which is well-fancied to be the next big takeover target for Vantona Viyella.

On the building and construction pitches, Taylor Woodrow pushed another 15p higher to 438p as market men still wati to hear where a chunk of shares has gone. The Prudential Corporation sold a sizeable holding in TW stock on Monday, and City analysts believe it has gone to one buyer.

The prospect of falling interest rates and a buoyant property market helped bring rises elsewhere in the sector. **John Laing 'A'** shares rose 10p to 228p and **Costain Group** rose 10p to 390p.

Shares in **George Wimpey** traded around the 124p level as investors made up their minds about the company's denial of any intention to sell off its Canadian subsidiary and of any stake building in its shares.

Equities started the day on a bright note, helped by Wall Street's overnight strength and continuing hopes of an interest rate cut.

But there was little follow through and the market experienced an unveventful day with the FT 30 share index enjoying a 4.2 points gain to 1,020.2 points – just 4.3 points from its peak. The more broadly based FT-SE share index closec 3.3 points higher at 1,334.1 points. At one stage it recorded a 6.6 points gain.

Government stocks were mixed with the Treasury issuing two "taplets", one of them a long, worth £400 million. Shorts were down £⅛ with medium and longs achieving gains of up to £⅛.

Barham Group continues to thrive on the back of a bullish forecast from a stockbroker. The shares rose 40p to 638p, making a two-day gain of 10p.

Christies International, the auctioneers, rose 17p to 560p, looking as though the recent period of weakness is over. Following last month's doubled profits of £17.25 million, the shares came in for some profit-taking, but now look ready to head back toward peak levels in the mid 600s.

On the packaging and paper sector lists, both **DRG** and **Metal Box** – bid favourites in some quarters – were moving ahead DRG, known for its Basildon Bond writing paper, touched 189p before settling for a 6p rise to 176p. Metal Box, where stake-building by Lord Hanson has been speculated, ended the day 12p higher at 400p.

BSG, the vehicle distribution group which has been the subject of private takeover negotiations for some months, rose 1p to 25½p, a touch better than the 25p price which has been suggested as the potential bidders' upper limit.

Branner shares jumped another 26p to 347p as speculative excitement about the shares grew. The engineering and distribution group has been high on the bid possibles list for some months, and market talk refuses to die down even though main contender Bunzl sold off its stake in Brammer two months ago.

Note the strength of Ann Street Brewery, the Jersey business. Its shares, traded under the special dealing rule, have surged from the equivalent of 310p to *425p* in the past few months. The company recently announced profits of £2.3 million and could reach £2.7 million this year, putting the shares on not much more than nine times earnings. A USM presence is a possibility.

Mr John Head, chairman of Brammer, sayus he is not aware of any other takeover approach or stake build up, with trading volume in his group's shares described as light and largely of a speculative nature.

Brammer is offering £40 million for Energy Services and Electronics, a bid which is thought of as a defensive move by some observers. But Mr Head says: "It is nothing of the sort. We have had ESE in view for some time, but could not make a move while we had Bunzl hanging over us."

Birmid shares showed every sign of special interest being taken in them, rising 3p to 90p, within 2p of its best ever level. A takeover approach is on the cards, though perhaps not from the quarter formerly expected.

F H Tomkins has been expected to try a reverse into Birmid, but Tomkins chief, Mr Greg Hutchins, appeared to rule that out last week when discussing the reasons for his company's recent rights issue.

Birmid would be a tidy mouthful for any number of engineering and industrial predators, with the present share price of **F H Tomkins** moves into record ground yet again, the ordinary stock up 14p at 204p and the nil paid also 14p better at 54p.

Debenhams, the stores group, continued to attract takeover speculations. The shares were at one time 7p higher at 332p.

Fisons, on a cheerful statement at the shareholders' meeting, went ahead 14p to 345p.

Breweries were mixed with kja 9 per cent profits gain by the largest regional, **Greenall Whitley**, disappointing. Greenall shares fell 10p to 175p. But **Bass** and **Allied-Lyons** hit new peaks. **Whitbread** also advanced.

Newcomer **Holmes and Marchant**, a marketing consultancy, achieved a 75p premium over its 300p placing price. Monday's newcomers **Datron** and **Viewplan** made progress. **Viewplan**, a broadcast equipment hire company, was traded at 121p, up 3p overnight but only 1p above its placing price. **Datron**, placed at 84p, rose a further 2p to 103p.

Food shares generally were enlivened by the **Ranks Hovis McDougall** results.

Traded option highlights

Volume on the traded options market reached 7,414 contracts, with British Telecom again providing much of the excitement. The BT share price on the main market dipped 2p to 156p and a total of 1,670 contracts changed hands.

The currency option stays prominent, but is hardly overwhelming dealers. A total of 485 currency contracts were traded.

The gilt option stays popular, with 449 contracts changing hands as more market attention focusses on Government stocks. GEC provided the only other point of interest in the options market, registering a volume of 501 contracts. Prices across the option list showed limited changes.

390 in new insurers' association

By Richard Thomson

The Association of British Insurers, the first body to represent the whole spectrum of the British insurance market, is to begin operations on July 1.

Mr Brian Corby, chief executive of the Prudential and chairman-designate of the new organization, said that over 390 insurers, covering more than 90 per cent of the British insurance market, had agreed to join the association.

The ABI will replace the eight bodies, including the British Insurance Association and the Life Offices Association have represented various areas of the industry.

The form of the ABT will follow proposals set out earlier this year. There will be two main councils covering general and life assurance as well as a public affairs committee to deal with the ABI's publicity. The costs of the ABI will be borne by member companies on a scale relating to their premium income.

TEMPUS

Why Britain is not yet a nation of Sainsburys

In the days when Napoleon said that Britain was a nation of shopkeepers, the name Sainsbury was still 50 years away from making its appearance on a carrier bag. The family was in no rush to follow the crowd into the high street – an attitude that in many respects still applies.

For while the Sainsbury name is well known in parts of the country, there are still large areas which are unaware of the Sainsbury brand of food retailing. This is a fact which allows Sir John Sainsbyury, the chairman, to rest easy in his bed at night rather than worry about where the company's astonishing growth will come from in future.

The Sainsbury chain has expanded very steadily from its traditional base in the South-east rather than embarking on a series of acquisitions to provide blanket coverage. The strategy has worked well. Yesterday, the company reported another record year with sales topping £3 billion for the first time and pretax profits rising from £130 million to £156.4 million.

It is a story of continued sales growth through a combination of increased selling space and volume gains. It is also, more remarkably, a story of improved net margins, up from 4.97 per cent to 5.06 per cent on gross margins which were static.

Even Sir John admits that net margins have now probably peaked. They can be maintained but volumes will provide the main sources of future growth.

Geographically, there is plenty of scope for expansion in the North and in Scotland which is virtually untouched (just one SavaCentre in Edinburgh). The big secondary advantage for Sainsbury is that it is moving into areas where property prices are cheaper rather than a chain like Asda which has to penetrate the more expensive market in the South.

There is also considerable potential for the company through increasing the size of its established stores. More than 40 per cent of the company's selling space may have been opened in the last five years but there are still only 110 out of a total of 253 stores which are big enough to sell the entire Sainsbury product range.

With the Homebase DIY chain set to make a first-time contribution to profits this year, Sainsbury remains as soundly based as ever for the future. The shares, down 2p at 342p, are a strong hold. They are a little expensive to buy on a short-term view but in the long term will not disappoint.

RHM

Plainly Ranks Hovis McDougall cannot live on bread alone – interim losses on milling might have been £5 million – but it is now nearing subsistence if not survival level after its long-term paring down exercises.

Extensive cutbacks at the bakeries, coupled with investment in more efficient flour milling plants, should bring the business to breakeven point by the start of 1986. Having lost possibly between £10 million and £12 million in the last full year that would represent a significant turnround.

A second factor in the latest results, ahead by 56 per cent to £36.5 million before tax on sales only 7 per cent higher at £649 million, was an excellent performance in the United States. Apparently the company succeeded in holding off the competition – even in New Jersey? – in its main business of selling pasta, tomato pastes and apple juices.

The first half seems to have desired some benefit from the cold weather which affects demand for bread and salt. The second half is therefore unlikely to see the same increase in profits. But £67 million looks in sight for the year, making the pe ratio 11 with the shares at 165p. Speculation over the future S & W Berisford's near 15 per cent stake may continue to keep the price buoyant, but the shares are not cheap on fundamentals.

Saatchi & Saatchi

Saatchi & Saatchi prefigured its interim results in the April cash raising exercise. Typically, it has managed to exceed the outline forecast of £15 million by about £500,000. The interim dividend goes up from 3.3p to 5.3p.

Cynics claim that most of the advertising group's growth stems from acquisitions. Saatchi emphatically rejects this, stressing that organic growth, net of acquisitions, in the first six months, was around 50 per cent, with sales on the same basis up by nearly 30 per cent. These figures place gains by the overall British business of 29 per cent, and by the international side of 63 per cent, in some perspective.

The S & S formula works on a number of levels, and only part of the growth comes from new clients.

The shares rose 20p to 650p after the figures, but may have still further to go. Saatchi is vague about its relationship with the macri-aggregates, but US moves towards cheaper money seem bound to boost consumption and hence billings.

Johnson & Firth Brown

Three years ago Johnson & Firth Brown thought a joint venture with British Steel would be its salvation. Dealing with the public sector has proved more hazardous than JFB can have foreseen: the company should have learnt from the experience.

The jointly-owned company, Sheffield Forgemasters, has probably lost £35 million since it was set up. Measured against BSC's other losses, this must be trifling. But for JFB the effect has been traumatic: assets have fallen by about £20 million to £47 million. In the six months to March, JFB's share of the Forgemasters' loss was £2.65 million.

The rest of JFB managed to lift profits from £913,000 to £1.43 million before tax, leaving the group with a £1.21 million pretax loss (loss £2.54 million).

Biting the bullet on Forgemasters would entail a write-off of £22 million or so. That would leave gearing high, but the company is also planning three disposals.

Meanwhile, annual profits before Forgemaster' losses are running at about £3 million. At 19p, that makes the p/e 10 (on an adjusted basis). The shares are already taking some account of the planned reconstruction.

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NEW HIGHER RATE **£20,000 or more**	**Monthly**	**10.25**	**10.75**	**15.36**
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In the interim....

GOOD NEWS

☐ Profit before taxation for the 3 months was £6,855,000 (1984 £4,745,000).

☐ Interim dividend 1.0p (0.85p equivalent first 3 months 1984).

☐ Sales rose from £69,504,000 to £104,081,000, an increase of 49.7%.

☐ Earnings per share increased by 21.9% to 3.84p (1984 3.15p).

☐ Overall, the Chairman is confident that, subject to unforeseen circumstances, Bibby will again achieve a good performance for the year as a whole.

The Company is reporting on interim results on only 3 months trading to March 30, in line with a new year-end of September 28, 1985.

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1984 Another year of significant growth for Banco di Sicilia.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM BANCO DI SICILIA ANNUAL REPORT 1984

(in billion Lire)	1984	1983
Capital and Reserves	1,089.2	947.9
Total Loans and Advances	16,779.0	14,274.4
Total Deposits	23,493.2	19,881.7
Total Assets (excluding Contra Accounts)	29,112.6	24,213.8
Net Profit*	18.6	13.3

* After allowing 77 billion Lire for depreciation and 167 billion Lire for provisions.

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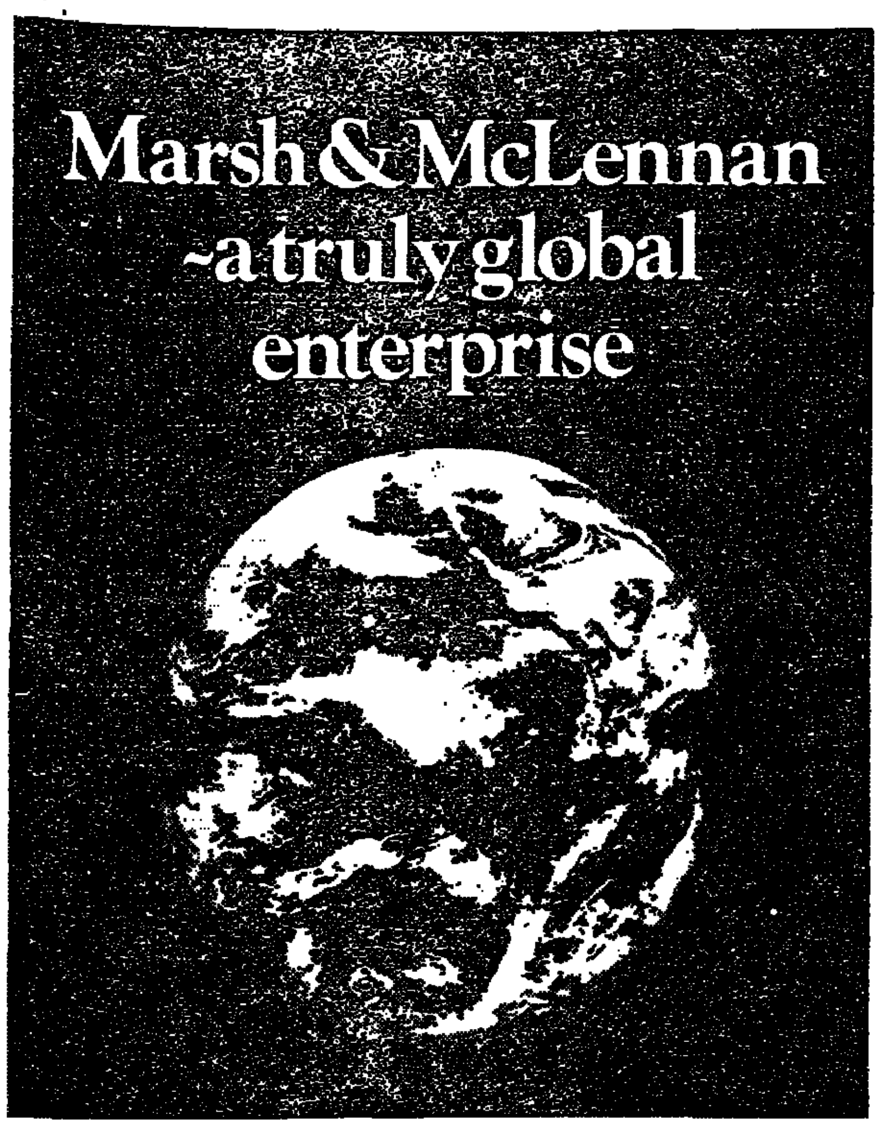

INFORMATION MEETING

An Information Meeting will be held at 3pm on Thursday 30th May, 1985, at The Carpenters Hall, 1 Throgmorton Avenue, London, E.C.2. The Chairman of the Board and other members of management will summarise the proceedings of the annual meeting of stockholders of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc., which was held in New York on 16th May, 1985, and respond to questions. Stockholders and other interested persons are cordially invited to attend.

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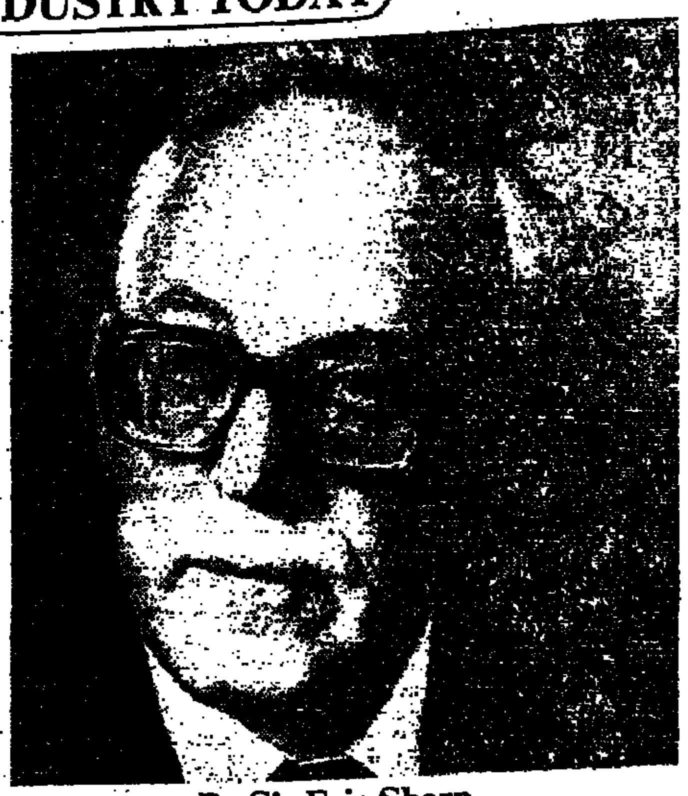
INDUSTRY TODAY

Overseas trade profits need to be tax-free

The British economy and British business cannot escape from the international dimension. Foreign trade accounts for 27 per cent of our gross national product, so there is no alternative to being competitive.



By Sir Eric Sharp

It is a fact of industrial life that industrialists faced with an average 3 per cent real growth rate must look to world markets if their companies are to achieve the growth rates which will meet their shareholders' expectations. At the same time the British economy is becoming more dependent on foreign investment in Britain, where foreign-owned companies now account for nearly 20 per cent of employment and output and more than 25 per cent of capital investment.

There is no escape from the international dimension, whether for the British economy or for British business. We are a country where 27 per cent of the gross national product is represented by the foreign trade sector (it is still less than 10 per cent in the United States). We cannot opt out of world trade and investment flows. We have no alternative to being competitive.

What do industrialists require of government if they are to achieve their own objectives of sustained growth, improved competitiveness and financial strength?

- An externally stable currency. Stability in this context means a variation in exchange rates which can be absorbed at reasonable cost in production schedules and contracts, including foreign exchange contracts.
- An internally stable currency so that unit costs and interest rates are in line with our competitors.
- No dramatic swings in fiscal and industrial policy.

By this I do not mean that there should be no significant or radical shifts in fiscal or economic direction. I am suggesting that such radical shifts should be signalled well in advance of the normal Budget process.

Whatever the merits of the phased reduction of capital allowances or regional grants may be for long-term resource allocation, the announcement of such important changes has an immediate impact on many companies which have had little or no opportunity to plan for such changes or to make alternative arrangements in their own resource allocation and strategic direction.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer's dilemma in reconciling long-term strategy with short-term difficulties is, of course, equally industry's dilemma in planning long-term investments against short-run effects of the Budget.

The fact remains that industry needs all the help it can get

A stable domestic environment is essential

in planning ahead to meet the objective of sustained economic growth. It needs above all a stable environment domestically if it is to capture a bigger share of world trade. And in my view, the objective of economic growth can be achieved only if Britian captures a greater share of world trade.

The financing of trade overseas – particularly of large projects – now has to be competitive with the financing available to our principal competitors.

Interest rates as well as internal labour and raw material costs are an intergral part of the cost structure. It is to be hoped that reliance on interest rates as an instrument of short-term policy in the management of exchange rates – if indeed exchange rates can be managed – should not be at the expence of the possibly more difficult task, politically and socially, of controlling money aggregates at source.

How can British businessmen be encouraged to seek opportunities overseas in such a way that the British economy also expands? A bold step for the Government would be to free profits arising from overseas trade, including direct export, whether through a branch, agency or non-resident subsidiary, from all British tax.

The Government recognized this in 1957 and gave a measure of relief at the time for a limited period. The introduction of a similar type of relief today would recognize that with some overseas tax rates and advance corporation tax the burden of tax on British multi-national companies remains high.

I believe these changes would result in an overall gain to the British economy and thus to the Exchequer. It would reinstate a situation which existed for a period more than 20 years ago.

The types of business which qualified for relief included manufacturing and processing, public utilities, distribution, agriculture and mining. Shipping, banking and insurance concerns were specifically excluded.

Tax reliefs on overseas earnings, removed in the Finance Act 1965, were certainly of benefit: they would be of far greater benefit 20 years later in 1985, when overseas markets have expanded, the opportunities for export increased and many British companies are in a better position to seize such opportunities, particularly in the growing sector of specialized services unique to the City, as well as telecommunications.

These changes would encourage the development of trade overseas and the establishment of overseas businesses. They would encourage job opportunities both directly and indirectly. Businesses would not seek to avoid repatriating profits, thereby creating another

Tax relief would foster new overseas businesses

factor towards stability of the currency.

Opportunities, for example, abound in China. The Chinese eagerly seek low interest rate loans. If the interest received were, like profits from overseas ventures, not subject to British tax, businesses would be encouraged to lend to China directly from Britain instead of from a non-British source which does not tax foreign earnings, with consequent economic benefits to that location instead of Britain.

Would such a radical move cost the Exchequer dearly? I doubt it.

Removal of the need to continue to seek innovative measures to [illegible] British tax solely to generate funds at acceptable costs to pursue further overseas opportunities could only encourage greater use of the excellent British financial markets and, directly and indirectly, stimulate the British economy.

Such fiscal discrimination would probably be vigorously resisted by traditionalists in the Inland Revenue and elsewhere.

We can remain externally respectable by operating a fiscal system neutral as between importers on the one hand and exporters and foreign exchange earners on the other.

Or we can adopt a positive approach in assisting those manufacturing and other industries which are endeavouring to capture a greater share of world trade against competitors who are assisted by their national institutions in adopting appropriate fiscal measures including preferential financing of export and overseas projects.

After all, Japan has recently introduced import promotion measures that include tax benefits for importers; it is beyond the Chancellor's powers to introduce tax benefits (*not* subsidies) for exporters and earners of foreign exchange?

Manufacturers who are faced with internal burdens of high local rates, high interest rates and high energy costs and who are urged to become more aggressive, innovative and competitive would like to see similar responses by the Treasury and their agencies in the Inland Revenue and Customs and Excise of innovative fiscal measures designed to support industry in its difficult task of winning a greater share of world trade.

This objective must be achieved if we are to see a significant increase in economic activity and through such expansion an increase in the taxable revenue base to fund national needs.

The author is chairman and chief executive of Cable and Wireless.

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	12½%
Adam & Company	12½%
Barclays	12½%
BCCI	12½%
Citibank Savings	†12¾%
Consolidated Crds	12½%
Continental Trust	12½%
Co-operative Bank	12½%
C. Hoare & Co	12½%
Lloyds Bank	12½%
Midland Bank	12½%
Nat Westminster	12½%
TSB	12½%
Williams & Glyn's	12½%
Citibank NA	12½%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED

(Incorporated in the State of Victoria, Australia)

Notice is hereby given that the Registers of members and Transfer books of the Company will be closed on 7th June, 1985 for one day only for the purpose of payment of the interim dividend on 12th July, 1985. Transfers must be lodged not later than 5 p.m. on 6th June, 1985.

By order of the Board of Directors
P. I. COCHRANE, B.COMM F.C.I.S.
Secretary

SAINSBURY'S

"For the 6th successive year, profit before tax and profit sharing has increased by over 20%. In ten years profit has grown from £15.4 million to over £168 million, a compound annual increase of 30.4% which after allowing for inflation is equivalent to 17.6% real growth per annum."

Sir John Sainsbury

Other points from the Chairman's Statement:

* Sales in Sainsbury outlets increased by 16% to reach £3,071 million and in Homebase by 60% to £64 million. Supermarket volume growth was similar to last year's, at over 9%. Sainsbury's price competitiveness has been improved still further, particularly in relation to major competitors.

* The Group's investment programme increased last year to the record figure of £246 million. The 15 new supermarkets opened had an average size of over 26,000 sq. ft., the highest ever. Homebase now has 23 stores, having opened a further 9 during the year with an average selling space of 46,000 sq. ft. per store.

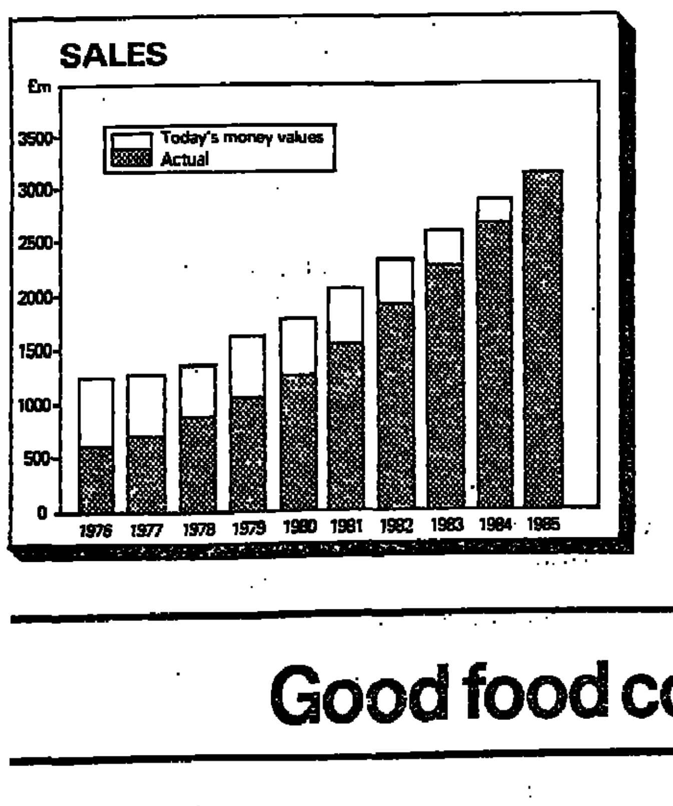
RESULTS £ million	1985 52 weeks to 23rd March	1984 52 weeks to 24th March	% increase
Sales	**3,135.3**	2,688.5	16.6
Retail Profit	**158.8**	133.7	18.7
Net Margin	**5.06%**	4.97%	
Associates	**9.7**	6.0	60.1
Profit before Tax and Profit Sharing	**168.5**	139.7	20.5
Profit Sharing	**12.1**	9.7*	24.1
Tax	**48.0**	41.0	16.9
Earnings per Share (35% tax)	**14.64p**	12.26p	19.4
Dividend per Share – net for year	**4.50p**	3.75p	20.0

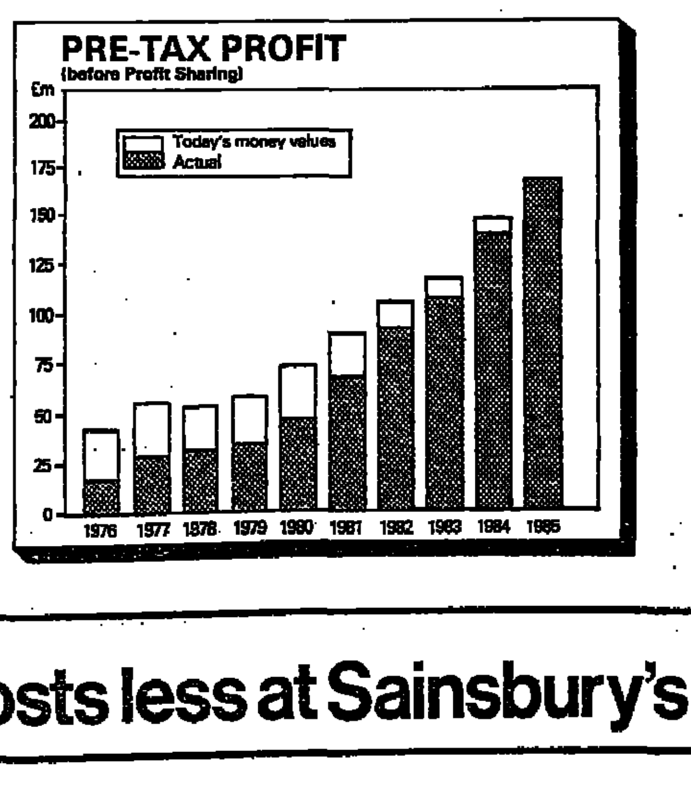
*Restated on a comparable basis.

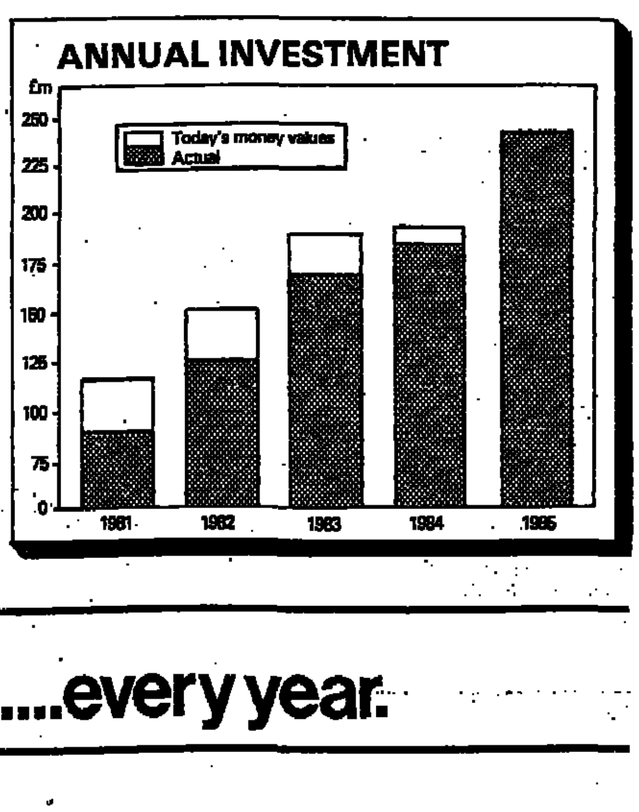
* SavaCentre opened its sixth hypermarket, in Edinburgh, where sales far exceeded forecast. In total, SavaCentre's sales increased by 17% to £235 million, whilst profits advanced by nearly a million pounds to £9.7 million.

* The performance of the Group's American associate, Shaw's, was also satisfactory with sales advancing by 14% to $812 million and profit before tax up by 11% to $20.2 million.

* Over 30,000 staff will benefit from profit sharing and receive in cash or shares the equivalent of about 4 weeks' pay. With the continued success of the employee share schemes, 13,500 staff, representing over a quarter of all our shareholders, now own Company shares.







Good food costs less at Sainsbury's....every year.

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Menzies pays £8.4m for Early Learning shops

By Jeremy Warner

Fine Art Developments has sold its fast-growing Early Learining chain of children's toy shops to John Menzies for £8.44 million.

Fine Art said that the sale would transform its highly-geared balance sheet and release funds for spending on the group's mainstream activities of mail order and greetings cards.

Early Learning was bought by Fine Art foor £1.7 million four years ago, and Fine Art has since invested £3.7 million in the company's rapid store expansion.

This is John Menzies' first venture into specialist retailing although it already sells toys through its High Street newsagents.

Menzies has been at the centre of revived stock market speculation that Arthur Guinness, which wants to expand in retailing, might make a takeover bid. But Mr Thomas Callaghan, managing director, said yesterday that the company had received no approaches, nor was there any evidence of a large share stake being built up.

Fine Art announced the sale with figures showing that pretax profits in the year to March 31 had more than doubled from £3.4 million to a record £7.2 million. Of that, Early Learning contributed nearly £1 million. Selective Paper Group, which the company bought a year ago for £13 million, made a first-time contribution of about £2 million.

Fine Art believes that there is further significant scope for improvement both in the coming year and in the longer term.

A review of efficiency and mailing techniques is being undertaken in the traditional mail order business, and the company is expanding its sale of greetings cards directly to smaller retailers, an area of the card market where it has been weak in the past.

Meanwhile, a final dividend of 2.1p is being recommended, raising the total for the year from 3p to 3.2p.

● Mr Richard Beecham's privately-owned Tamwade Group is selling Wembley Playcraft Sports & Toys, Britain's largest manufacturer of sports balls and playballs, to Mr Philip Harrison, a management consultant, for more than £1 million. The deal is being financed by National Westminster Bank.

COMPANY NEWS

● **EXECUTEX CLOTHES:** The board considers that the group's finances can be best restructured by the sale of two properties in Leeds, one of which is leasehold and the other freehold. The leasehold premises comprise a modern, purpose-built single-storey clothing factory and offices affording a total net usable area of about 53,800 sq ft on a site area of about 1.9 acres.

● **HIGHLAND PARTICIPANTS:** Loss before tax £39,111 and loss after tax £45,211 for 1984. This reflects the expenses incurred in relation to the rights issue last July, together with the administrative costs associated with reorganization and running of the company. No income was received from trading activities during the year. The figures therefore bear little relationship to the company's present trading activities.

● **MURRAY TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENTS:** Dividend 0.5p (0.6p) for the year to March 31, payable on August, 23. Revenue £478,232 (£475,885). Expenses £347,075 (£362,122). Revenue £131,104 (£113,763) before tax of £45,742 (£19,007). Earnings per share 0.57p (0.63p). Net asset value per share 133.5p (139.1p).

● **YORKLYDE:** Results for the year to January 31. Final 3.75p making 6p (5p). (Figures in £000) Turnover 6,220 (4,949). Pretax profit 1:836 (7,272) Tax 720 (502).Special Credits included in profit nil (79). Earnings per share 23.8p (16.3p).

● **RADIO CLYDE:**Results for six months to March 31. Interim 1.5p (same), payable on July 12. (Figures in £000). Turnover 2,117 (2,633). Pretax profit 189 (354). Tax 80 (168). Extraordinary debit nil (78). Earnings per share preextraordinary items 1.91p (3.28p).

● **ASSET SPECIAL SITUATIONS TRUST:** Final 0.5p (0.46p) making 0.96p (0.88) for the year to March 31. (Figures in £000) Gross revenue 224 (198). Pretax revenue 160 (129). After administration expenses 57 (50). Interest 7 (20). Tax 49 (41). Earnings per share 1.1p (0.88p).

Pretax profits at J. Bibby, the agricultural and industrial products group, rose to £6.85 million from £4.75 million in the 13 weeks to the end of March. Earnings per share were 3.84p, compared with 3.15p. Mr Bastiaan Kardol, who became chairman of the company yesterday, is confident that the company's performance will be good for the whole year.

● **ROSEHAUGH:** Results for six months to December 31, 1984; No interim dividends (Figures in £000). Turnover 14,030 (8,873). Gross profit 3,316 (2,455) including dividends and interest from listed investments 5 (51). Administration and staff costs 1,093 (761). Interest payable and similar charges less interest received and similar income 966 (504). Pretax profit 1,257 (1,190). Tax 539 (325). Earnings per share 9.8p (11.85p).

● **FALCON MINES:** For the year to March 31. Figures in 000. Working profit at mine Dalny 5,398 (6,417); Venice 1,188 (726). Total mine profit 6,586 (7,142). Share of Olympus net 211 (75). Administration 3 (49). Current tax 1,303 (1,846). Prior years tax adj 42 (-). Net profit after tax 5,533 (5,322). Expenditure on mining assets 3,229 (3,317).

● **PERSONAL ASSETS TRUST:** Dividend 0.2p (0.4p) for the year to April 30. Figures in 000. Total income 183 (184) comprises dividends 161 (165). Interest received 15 (19) and underwriting commission 7 (nil). Pretax revenue 67 (92) after interest and expenses 116 (92). Tax 35 (30), attributable 32 (62). Earnings per share 0.21p (0.43p). Net assets value 40.26p (32.13p).

● **FISON:** Fisons is to purchase the scientific instruments subsidiary of Carlo Erba in Milan. The total proposed investment is £12.5 million. Fisons also proposes to buy the American distributor of Carlo Erba instruments, and has purchased Austin Biological Laboratories of Texas for $2 million.

● **BRITISH AND AMERICAN FILM HOLDINGS:** Group pretax profits £511,562 (£434,051). Tax £135,951 (£129,806).

Taylor Woodrow
teamwork achieves record turnover and profit

Mr. Dick Puttick, Chairman and Chief Executive, reports:
It is pleasing to be able to report that your company has achieved its twenty-fourth consecutive year of growth, with record levels of turnover and profit.

Set against the continuing background of intense competition and slender profit margins presently available in the construction industry, the attainment of these not unsatisfactory results is a reflection of the fine performance of the Taylor Woodrow team and the great breadth of the group's operations.

This year sees the fiftieth anniversary of the public flotation of Taylor Woodrow and this event provides me with a timely opportunity to renew the board's thanks to our shareholders for their loyal support over the years; the continued maintenance of the free enterprise system, to which we strongly subscribe for its contribution to improving the quality of life worldwide, is greatly dependent upon such support.

Whilst there continues to be a scarcity of major civil engineering projects in the home market, this has been compensated by an encouraging increase in the volume of building work secured.

1984 also saw further advances for our property portfolio, whilst elsewhere, housing and energy-related activities have also had a good year. Housing activities, particularly in North America, again showed a noteworthy increase, whilst in the property sector gross rents moved up from £25.0 million to £32.2 million.

The Group had a positive cash flow in 1984 of £7 million, and liquid funds at 31st December 1984 were £82.9 million. Properties were valued as at 31st December 1984 yielding a net surplus of £9 million which was credited to revaluation reserves. Shareholders funds, including retained profits and the revaluation surplus, now amount to £335.6 million, which equals 568p per share.

Looking to the future, I feel that there are some grounds for greater optimism for our industry and we in Taylor Woodrow are certainly well-equipped to pursue any opportunities for the development of our business.

Particular appreciation is also due to all those who provide the resources to sustain our team; to our clients for the valued business which they continue to entrust to us, to the teams of professional people and the numerous suppliers and subcontractors who so ably assist in the carrying out of our work.

The Year in brief

	1984	1983	Increase
Turnover	£777m	£696m	11.7%
Profit before tax	£42.5m	£35.9m	18.3%
Earnings per share before extraordinary items	38.1p	33.1p	15.1%
Net dividends per share	15.0p	12.25p	22.4%

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SIEMENS

Information for Siemens shareholders

10,000 more employees

New orders and sales continue to rise

Two-figure growth rates for new orders and sales, the addition of 10,000 new employees, and a net profit margin of 2.4% characterized the first half of the current financial year of Siemens AG (1 October 1984 to 31 March 1985).

New orders

New orders increased 11% to £7,490m; without power plant business the rate of growth was even higher at 15%. Domestic orders in the Federal Republic of Germany rose 4% to £3,646m. By contrast, business from abroad was more vigorous, causing international orders to rise 18% to £3,844m. Sizeable first-half orders were placed by Singapore for data switching systems; by Indonesia for EWSD exchanges and diesel power plants; by Kuwait, Libya, and Saudi Arabia for switchgear installations; by Taiwan for EWSD container exchanges; and by China for the electrical equipment for the hot-rolling mill in Bao Shan.

in £m	1/10/83 to 31/3/84	1/10/84 to 31/3/85	Change
New orders	6,773	7,490	+11%
Domestic business	3,512	3,646	+ 4%
International business	3,261	3,844	+18%

Sales

Due largely to the billing of two nuclear power plants, Gundremmingen C and Grohnde, Siemens sales leaped 33% to £6,959m. But even without power plant business, growth increased 10%. In the German domestic market, sales totalled £3,882m, a 7% rise excluding power plants. International business grew 8% to £3,077m. A better than average growth was recorded by four operating groups: Components, Power Engineering and Automation, Communication and Information Systems, and, in international business, Medical Engineering. For the current financial year as a whole, both new orders and sales are expected to top £13m.

in £m	1/10/83 to 31/3/84	1/10/84 to 31/3/85	Change
Sales	5,223	6,959	+33%
Domestic business	2,369	3,882	+64%
International business	2,854	3,077	+ 8%

Orders in hand

Siemens orders in hand totalled £15,784m on 31 March, while inventories remained essentially unchanged at £5,226m.

in £m	30/9/84	31/3/85	Change
Orders in hand	15,390	15,784	+ 3%
Inventories	5,164	5,226	+ 1%

Employees

With the influx of new orders, Siemens was able to increase the number of its employees by 10,000, bringing the first-half total to 338,000. Seven thousand additional people were employed in the Federal Republic of Germany and Berlin (West) and 3,000 abroad, expanding the domestic work force to 231,000 employees and the international to 107,000. In the months ahead, this trend is likely to slow appreciably. On average, Siemens employed 332,000 people in the first half of the year – 4% more than in the same period last year. Employment costs rose 10% to £2,456m.

in thousands	30/9/84	31/3/85	Change
Employees	328	338	+ 3%
Domestic operations	224	231	+ 3%
International operations	104	107	+ 3%

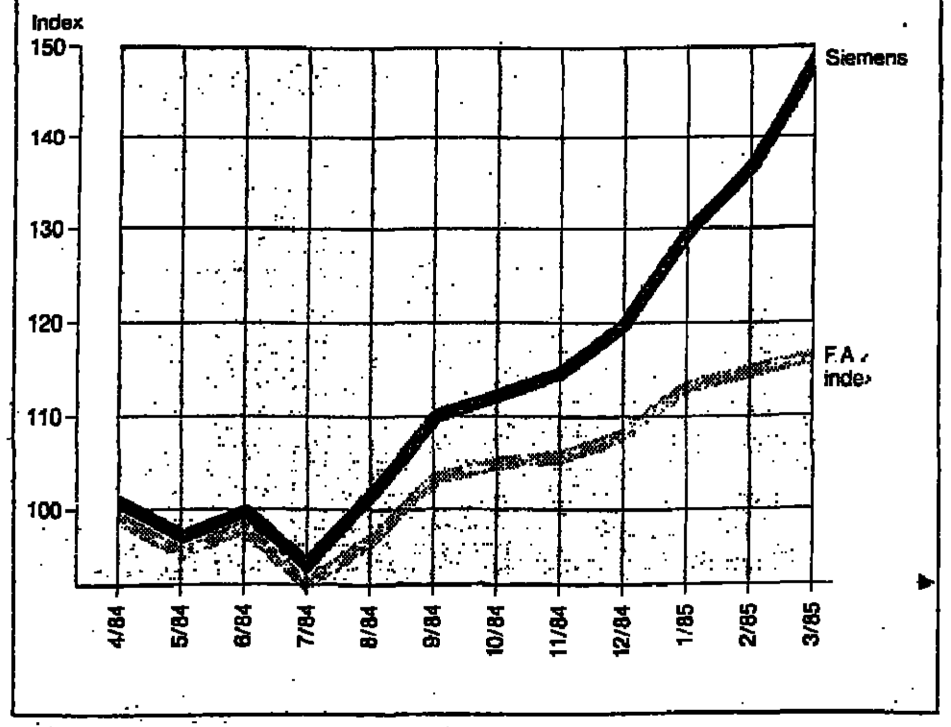
	1/10/83 to 31/3/84	1/10/84 to 31/3/85	Change
Average number of employees in thousands	321	332	+ 4%
Employment costs in £m	2,228	2,456	+10%

Capital spending and net income

Capital expenditure and investment for the first six months of the current financial year was £349m, 48% more than in the first half of the preceding year. There will continue to be a strong increase of expenditure during the latter half of the year.
With net income after taxes at £166m (las year £107m) Siemens achieved a first-half net profit margin of 2.4%. The net profit margin for the total preceding financial year was 2.3%.

in £m	1/10/83 to 31/3/84	1/10/84 to 31/3/85	Change
Capital expenditure and investment	237	349	+48%
Net income after taxes	107	166	+56%
in % of sales	2.0	2.4	

All amounts translated at Frankfurt middle rate on 29 March 1985: £1 – DM 3.845



Accelerated increase in price of Siemens shares

The increase of the Siemens dividend from DM 8 to DM 10 and the possibility of acquiring new shares at an attractive subscription rate have led to a strong appreciation in the market price of Siemens shares in recent months. Although more marked now, this upward trend began in the 1983/84 financial year in response to positive reports about the Company's improved earnings position and conspicuous innovative capability. While the price of Siemens shares rose 47.9% from April 1984 to March 1985, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung's share price index showed an increase for the same period of only 15.6%.

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No.	Company	Your gain or loss
	DRAPERY AND STORES	
1	Forminster	
2	Ward White	
3	Grattan	
4	Superdrug Stores	
5	Home Charm	
6	MFI	
7	Beattie (James) 'A'	
8	Debenhams	
9	NSS Newsagents	
10	Stanley (AG)	
	ELECTRICALS	
11	Volex	
12	STC	
13	Amstrad	
14	Electronic Rentals	
15	Forward Tech	
16	Utd Leasing	
17	Micro BS	
18	First Castle Elec	
19	Logica	
20	Electronic Mach	
	BREWERIES	
21	Allied-Lyons	
22	*Guinness*	
23	Bass	
24	Wolverhmpton & D	
25	Greene King	
26	Irish Dist	
27	Bell (Arthur)	
28	Vaux	
29	Distillers	
30	SA Breweries	
	BUILDING & ROADS	
31	May & Hassell	
32	Tarmac	
33	French Kier	
34	Magnet & South	
35	Galliford	
36	Higgs & Hill	
37	Redland	
38	Mowlem (John)	
39	Hewden-Stuart	
40	Ibstock Johnsen	
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Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £20,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Market firm

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127¾	104½	Deutsche Bank	£124¼	+¾	1200	9.6	..
106	74½	First Nat Finance	95½	..	..	..	8.7
372	309	Gerrard Nat	352	+13	17.1	4.8	10.4
79	66	Guinness Peat	78	..	2.2	2.8	18.1
189	143	Hambros	158	-3	9.0	5.7	16.5
16	12½	Do (50p)	£15	..	89.6	6.0	18.7
353	273	Hill Samuel	298	.	15.4	5.2	8.4
99	79	HK Shanghai	84½ ●	..	..	..	..
278	233	Joseph (Leopold)	278	..	16.1	5.8	14.6
189	157	King & Shaxson	164 ●	..	11.8	7.2	19.3
505	375	Kleinwort Benson	505	..	20.0	4.0	9.3
622	518	Lloyds	582	..	37.9	6.4	8.0
28	22	Manson	27	..	1.6	6.0	10.6
503	408	Mercury Secs	418	-10	16.4	3.9	8.8
374	322	Midland	359	-3	36.4	10.1	5.9
270	173	Nat Aust Bk	238	+2	..	..	..
694	567	Nat West	684	..	36.5	5.3	5.8
90	68½	Ottoman	£82½	-½	550	6.7	17.7
228	193	Provident	219	-1	16.0	6.9	9.2
80	68	Rea Bros	68	..	1.8	2.6	20.2
116	98	Rothschild (J) Hld	104	-2	5.1n	4.9	15.9
21¼	15⅞	Royl Bnk Of Can	£16⅝ ●	..	..	..	..
294	216	Royl Bnk Of Scot	284 ●	..	12.6	4.4	10.5
818	728	Schroders	758	+10	26.4	3.5	10.7
70	46	Smith St Aubyn	49	+2	2.9	5.8	4.5
542	462	Stand Chart	482	-2	40.7	8.4	7.6
798	683	Union	708	+6	52.9	7.5	8.9
78	56	Wagon	78	..	4.8	6.2	10.4
51¾	39¹¹⁄₁₆	Wells Fargo	£45¼	+1¼	..	..	..
260	240	Wintrust	260	..	6.4	2.5	17.5

BUILDING AND ROADS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P E
202	180	Aberdeen Constr	186 ●	..	10.4	5.6	11.2
262	238	Amec	260 ●	+5	15.7	6.0	10.3
58	29	Amcliffe	48 ●	..	0.1	0.3	7.1
111	85	Atwoods	100	..	5.0b	5.0	28.5
280	233	BPB Industries	270	+12	10.4	3.9	9.6
266	204	Baggeridge Brick	264	..	9.5	3.6	11.4
90	64	Barratt Devs	86 ●	..	10.9	12.7	5.7
34	25	Bailey(Ben) Constr	26 ●	..	0.8	3.1	5.2
134	113	Bellway	134 ●	+2	10.0	7.5	8.9
70	61	Benford Concrete	65 ●	..	5.4	8.2	28.0
64	51	Bett Bros	59	-4	4.4	7.5	8.8
593	545	Blockleys	593 ●	..	30.0	5.1	8.5
581	468	Blue Circle	581 ●	+3	28.6	5.1	8.4
220	194	Breedon&Cloud Hill	214 ●	-4	12.7	5.9	20.1

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ELECTRICALS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P E
31	23½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	24	-1	1.9	8.0	28.6
309	232	CASE	288	-3	1.9	0.7	22.5
605	440	Cable & Wireless	570	..	10.0	1.8	23.8
378	305	Cambridge Elec	315	-6	10.0	3.2	14.5
40	35	Chloride	34	-1	..	..	8.0
173	129	Do 7½% CPF	154	+1	..	..	..
285	203	Comcap	245 ●	-2	1.4	0.6	19.3
265	215	Cray Elect	250	..	3.5	1.4	37.1
240	153	Crystalate	161	-2	5.6	3.5	9.7
85	67	Dale Elect	72	..	6.4	8.9	5.5
172	97	Dataserv	155	-3	1.0	0.6	..
28	14	Dewhurst 'A'	25½	..	1.1	4.2	11.5
79	62½	Dowding & Mills	73	..	3.8	5.0	13.4
208	165	Dubilier	170	+2	3.6	2.1	14.9
335	265	Electrocomponents	303	-5	6.1	2.0	23.9
56	37	Electronic Mach	56	+2	1.0	1.8	39.4
55	39	Electronic Rentals	50	+1	4.6	9.2	27.6
255	181	Emess Lighting	255 ●	+5	6.6	2.6	21.8
111	50	Energy Serv	110	..	2.8b	2.6	15.5
380	235	Eurotherm	333	-8	5.7	1.7	21.8
208	167	Farnell Elect	198 ●	-3	2.6	1.3	21.1
184	132	Ferranti	140	-4	2.0	1.4	21.6
130	104	First Castle Elec	115	+1	3.0	2.6	10.9
40	24	Forward Tech	38	+1	..	..	10.2
220	176	GEC	190	-2	5.2	2.7	13.4
184	139	Grosvenor	142 ●	..	8.2	5.8	9.9
129	78	Highland Elect	100 ●	-1	2.5	2.8	15.8
325	250	Int Signal & Control	315	..	1.0	0.3	..
150	130	Jones Stroud	150	..	9.3	6.2	7.2
212	160	Kode	210	..	14.3	6.8	18.0
341	235	Lec Refrigeration	290	..	17.9	6.2	8.0
388	249	Logica	251	+2	1.4	0.6	27.2
326	258	MK Elect	290	+2	13.7	4.7	8.9
389	282	Memec	300 f	..	3.4	1.8	33.6
235	125	Micro BS	130 ●	+5	2.5	1.9	21.0
570	300	Micro Focus	385	-10	..	..	90.6
196	125	Muirhead	164	..	7.1	4.4	19.5
98	63	Multitone Elec	68	..	3.9	5.7	9.8
94	82	Murray Elect	83	..	0.2a	0.3	..
44	16	Newham	43 f	+1	1.1b	2.7	12.5
225	188	Newmark (Louis)	210	..	17.1n	8.2	9.9
89½	79½	NEI	82 ●	..	7.5	9.1	13.8
172	100	Oceonics	100	..	1.1	1.1	12.5
306	238	Oxford Instruments	283	+5	2.0	0.8	27.9
53	44	Petbow	62	..	1.4e	2.3	..
44	33	Phicom	42 ●	..	1.6	3.7	8.1
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16⅝	12¼	Philips Lamps N/V	£12⅝ ●	+⅛	..	..	..
175	137	Pilco	140	..	7.5	5.4	7.8
148	120	Do 'A' Ltd Voting	125	..	7.5	6.0	7.0
214	160	Plessey	172	+2	5.8	3.4	11.5
20½	15¹⁵⁄₁₆	Do ADR 25	£16⅝	+⅜	..	..	..

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1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P E
49	32½	Shaw Carpets	40	..	5.6	3.8	8.2
140	115	Sirdar	122	+1	3.6	6.9	6.9
85	33	Smallshaw (R)	48 ●	..	4.7	3.9	10.0
69	46	Stroud Riley	46	..	3.8	7.6	5.2
100	85	Textured Jersey	99	..	3.2	7.0	4.8
168	110	Tomkinsons	145	-1	5.7	5.8	9.8
83	55	Tootal	80	..	7.1	5.0	12.4
170	130	Yorklyde	170	+7	6.7	7.1	10.7

TOBACCOS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P E
385	308	BAT	330 ●	+3	14.7	4.6	8.7
222	174	Imperial	194	..	12.2	6.3	11.0
205	165	Rothmans 'B'	173	-1	8.9	5.1	4.3

● Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock		Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld %	Gross Red. yld %

BRITISH FUNDS

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1985 High	1985 Low	Stock		Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld %	Gross Red. yld %
100.88	99.13	Treas	11¾% 1985	99.83	+0.01	11.520	12.490
99⅛	97⅝	Treas C	8¾% 1985	98¹⁵⁄₁₆	..	8.844	12.248
101⅜	99¾	Exch	12¼% 1985	100⅛	+⅛	12.246	12.084
101⁷⁄₃₂	98⅝	Exch	11½% 1986	99⅝	..	11.765	11.870
99⅛	96¼	Treas C	10% 1986	98⅝	-⅛	10.148	11.721
95	91⅝	Treas	3% 1986	94⅛	-⅛	3.177	8.585
100	97¼	Exch C	10½% 1986	99	+⅛	10.605	11.591
101⅛	98⅞	Treas	12% 1986	100⅛	● -⅛	11.848	11.570
97½	94½	Treas	8¼% 1984-86	97	+⅛	8.763	11.408
105⅞	102⅛	Exch	14% 1986	103⅛	-⅛	13.588	11.620
92⅛	87½	Exch	2½% 1986	91⅛	+⅛	2.718	8.282
104⅞	101⅛	Exch	13½% 1987	102⅛	-⅛	12.939	11.588
99⅛	95½	Treas C	10¼% 1987	98	-⅛	10.459	11.541
90⅛	84½	Exch	2½% 1987	90⅛	+⅛	2.776	8.702
99⅛	95⅝	Exch	10½% 1987	98⅛	-⅛	10.670	11.452
93⅛	88⅝	Fund	6½% 1985-87	92⅛	..	6.994	10.613
98⅛	94⅝	Treas	10% 1987	97⅛	● -⅛	10.303	11.656

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Boat people who struck it rich

Sea Finland, an exhibition of Finnish shipping and shipbuilding, will be opened today by Kalevi Sorsa, the Finnish Prime Minister, at the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich. This Special Report looks at the history of seafaring in Finland from the tall ships to the latest Arctic technology.

Once a month a remarkable group of men and a few women meet for lunch in the Nautical Club at Mariehamn in the Åland Islands, a part of the Finnish archipelagoes which lies in the mouth of the Gulf of Bothnia, midway between Stockholm and the Finnish mainland. Almost uniformly blue-eyed and of fair complexion, these people are the survivors of the crews of the great steel square-rigged sailing ships of Åland which carried part of the Australian wheat crop to Britain each spring until the Second World War.

Usually about 50 of these "Cape Horners", out of the 200 still living in Finland, attend each of these unique gatherings. As they sit in the dining-room overlooking the harbour the great modern Baltic ferries, the newest of them many times the size of the old sailing vessels and the last word in technical efficiency, call at modern ferry stations below, each disgorging and gobbling up its quota of trucks and cars through the enormous hole which opens in its bows.

The fact that such a group of men can still meet regularly and in such numbers, many of its members still in their fifties or early sixties, underlines Finland's astonishing development over the last 50 years from a country still largely dependent on the export of sawn timber, on marginal agriculture and limited industry and on sailing ships and old steamers bought from Western Europe to the highly prosperous modern state of today with one of the world's higher growth rates and a standard of living surpassed in few countries.

The maritime aspects of Finnish history can be traced back to the Dark Ages. Early traces can be found in the *Kalevala*, the epic compiled by Elias Lönnrot out of Finnish folk poetry which celebrates its 150th anniversary of publication this year and has long been one of the cornerstones of Finnish culture.

More positive evidence has been provided by modern archaeology. Southern Finland was right on the great trade route which ran from Western Europe through the Baltic to the Russian rivers and by way of them to the Black Sea and the eastern Mediterranean. Along this route, through the Finnish islands, many of whose inhabitants seem to have joined in the trading ventures, came the ships of Vendel and Viking times, small vessels which could be carried by their crews across the portages between the navigable Russian rivers.

Shipbuilding thrives without state money

In due course they gave way to the much larger cogs (flat-bottomed trading vessels), through which German dominance of the middle Baltic was established in the Baltic Crusades. These left a legacy of place names – Kuggholm, Kuggsund, Kuggham – still on the charts today.

During the long centuries in which Finland was an integral part of Sweden the people of the central and eastern parts of the country developed systems of water transport through the complex of lakes and linking rivers which played an important role in the vast export trade in timber, so important to Finland's development.

A Finnish forest product of another kind was vital to sea transport and sea warfare in the rest of Europe, and especially in Britain. This was pine tar, the famous "Stockholm Tar", an essential preservative for the natural fibre rigging of wooden sailing ships, which got its name because Swedish law required its export through Stockholm although it was manufactured in the hinterland of the Swedish Bothnian ports.

In 1765 the Swedish Diet abolished this restriction and immediately Finnish towns began to build up their own merchant fleets. Within 20 years they were trading with the Far East. After the Russian occupation of Finland in 1809, Finnish vessels comprised the principal part of Russian merchant shipping. In Finland, where industrial development came very late, merchant shipping became an important capital generator and channel of contact with the outside world.

During the Crimean War an Anglo-French fleet imposed a degree of blockade on the Finnish coasts. Many small vessels were captured and some larger ones destroyed by raiding parties ashore. Many others, caught away from their home ports, were sold – often at wartime boom prices.

With the coming of peace the Russians relaxed restrictions imposed on international trade and there followed a kind of golden age for Finnish shipping in which wooden sailing vessels, many of them locally built by farmers on their own land, owned by syndicates of local shareholders and sailed by local seamen, entered the world's carrying trade very profitably.

However, capital generation was a slow process and it was not until the present century that large-scale continuous investment in steam tramp tonnage took place. The picturesque sailing vessels remained a paying proposition in the peculiar local conditions of Finland and created worldwide interest until the Second World War.

After that war the reparations demanded by the Russians – which were met in full – gave rise to a second industrial revolution and modern Finland was born. Today the Finnish merchant fleet is one of the worlds' finest, much of it specialized, roll-on-roll-off vessels, refrigerator ships, and vessels designed to carry forest products.

The highly-specialized shipbuilding industry continues to prosper without state subsidies. This month, for instance, Rauma Repola are scheduled to deliver an 8,000-ton three-deck stern-loading roll-on-roll-off vessel with pallet handling, side access capability, and the most sophisticated handling equipment for mixed cargoes, to the Rederi Ab Gustaf Erikson, a Finnish customer. One in three of the cruise liners recently built in the world has come from the yards of Wärtsilä at Helsinki and Turku, including the Royal Princess, to date the last word in this class of shipping. The current visit to London of the Urho, one of the world's most efficient icebreakers, underlines another specialist aspect of modern Finnish shipbuilding – Arctic technology.

Basil Greenhill

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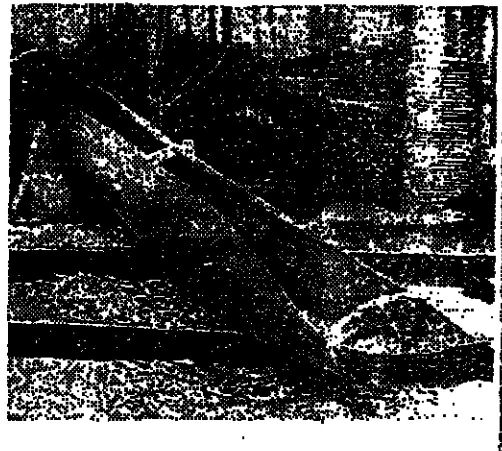
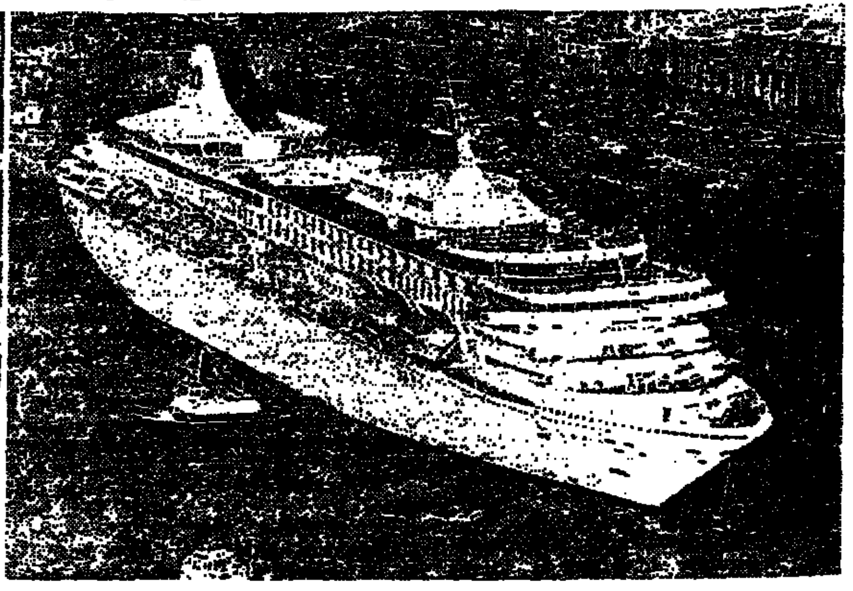




Old and new: An early small boat and the Royal Princess, one of the most expensive liners afloat. Left: The world's oldest diving suit, believed to be 200 years old

Log of a sailing nation

The "Sea Finland" exhibition, which opens to the public tomorrow at the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich, is one of the biggest to have been staged there. Only the exhibition to celebrate the bicentenary of American Independence has been larger – or more expensive. Sea Finland occupies four of the museum's main galleries on the first floor and its design and construction has cost about £375,000.

The scent greeting visitors to the galleries – which has been enjoyed by museum staff during the weeks of preparation – is of "Stockholm tar". For three centuries from the early 1600s Finland was the world's biggest producer of wood tar: most of the tar used by Nelson's navy came from Finland. It was exported to other parts of the world through Stockholm, the capital of what was then Sweden-Finland.

Some craftsmen can still make boats from one trunk

Manufacture of Stockholm tar is explained in the exhibition: the selection of pine trees four years before they are due to be felled; their treatment, to ensure that they make large amounts of pitch; and the dry distillation of tar from split lengths of pine in special kilns. There is a model of a tar boat loaded with three tons of tar barrels shooting rapids.

One of the most intriguing exhibits, which dates from the earliest times, shows the working of a single aspen trunk into a light, strong boat for use on the Finnish lakes. It is a long and complicated process requiring great skill, though there are still craftsmen in south-west Finland able to make such a boat. Another exhibit with beautiful lines is a replica of a twelfth-century boat which, instead of being nailed, was sewn together with spruce roots.

Navigation of the inland lake systems – Finland has 60,000 lakes – has always been an essential part of everyday life. The 60-feet 18-oar rowing-boat in the colonnade at the museum was one of the church boats collectively owned and used primarily for taking villagers to church. The exhibition traces the development of the lakeland steamers to the present day.

SEA FINLAND EXHIBITION

- **The exhibition will open tomorrow and run until December 31. Admission is included in the museum entry charge of £1 for adults and 50p for children.**
- **Opening hours are, until October 27, Monday to Saturday 10 am-6pm, Sunday 2 pm-5.30-pm. From October 28, Monday-Friday 10 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am -5.30 pm, Sunday 2 pm-5 pm. Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Boxing Day.**
- **A leaflet guide to the exhibition costs 20p. A book, *Sea Finland: Finnish seafaring in pictures* compiled by Henry Forsell, will be on sale at £7.95. Disabled visitors will not find easy access to the first-floor galleries.**

Old and new methods of beating the Finnish winter are illustrated. By the 1870s the volume of trade demanded winter as well as summer transport and a specially reinforced 400 hp steamship, Express, ran a service to Stockholm. It lasted 16 years but sometimes got stuck in the ice. The first icebreaker, the Murtaja, came into service in 1890 and was soon followed by two ice-reinforced ships which began services first to Hull, and later to other parts of Britain.

Even earlier, as long ago as 1638, a postal route existed across the sea between Sweden and Finland. Much of the route was through the Åland Islands and the mail was carried from island to island by Ålands' peasants. In winter, when the sea was frozen hard, they would use sledges or skis, but if there was open water or slushy ice they had to try to sail or row, often in icy winds or driving snow.

Also on view, in some cases with the treasure that was found in them, are reconstructions from the wrecks which litter the Baltic. One is the galliot, St Mikael, which sank in 1747 and is shown with gold snuff-boxes, watches, and other luxurious gold artefacts. There are fragments of a 16th-century Dutch merchantman, the German and Dutch pottery it carried having survived almost intact.

In this section, too, is what is believed to be the world's oldest diving-suit. Made of cowhide, it has a pipe for fresh air to be pumped in through the back and another from the top of the helmet to take out waste air. The suit, thought to be about 200 years old, has been lent by the museum of Raahe, the west coast town where it was probably made.

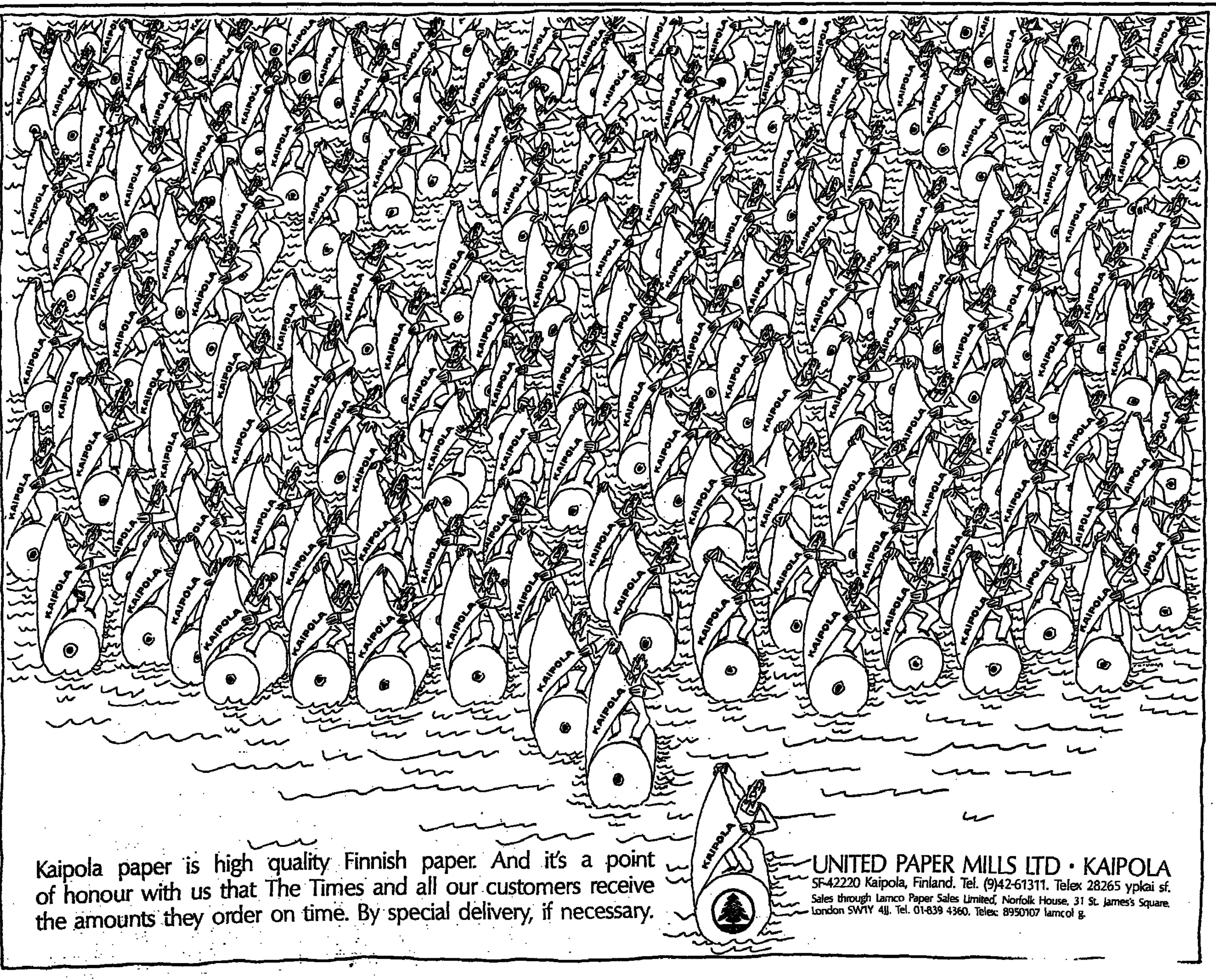
Barques could be seen in Britain up to the 1930s

The story of Gustaf Erikson, master mariner, astute businessman, and owner of the last great fleet of sailing ships in the world, is told as part of the history of the Åland Islands' sailing ships. The models of fine four-masted barques, like the Herzogin Cecilie, are among the most handsome exhibits. Some of the barques were familiar sights in Britain in the 1920s and 1930s, while others sailed distant waters right up to the 1940s and early 1950s.

Also featured are the most common wooden sailing ships to be seen in Finnish waters in the 19th and early 20th centuries, the plump little Baltic steamers. About 30 metres long with a 7-metre beam and a capacious hull, they carried two masts of equal height and a fore and aft rig that could be handled by a crew of three.

The important Finnish forestry and fishing industries and maritime warfare are other exhibition themes. Pictures and models show the Finnish navy's ships and battles, the wars fought in its waters, and the island fortress of Suomenlinna just offshore from Finland's capital, Helsinki.

Kathleen Frenchman



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How the oceans give this land its living

Offshore and Arctic are the two words on which Finland's shipbuilding industry bases its future hopes. So far the Finns have been able to survive in the bruising battle for ship orders while many other West European countries have been forced to all but scrap their shipbuilding industries. Their weapons have been specialization and Soviet trade.

Five-year trade agreements with the Russians, who buy about half of the ships built in Finland, provide continuity and a good base for improving competitiveness in western markets. Forward planning in bilateral trade has been extended to 15 years.

At the moment the prospects are relatively good. Last year the sales outlook was bleak but new orders have improved matters considerably. Hopes of getting two new passenger cruiser orders from Norway are high and would strengthen Finland's positon as the leading builder of luxury passenger cruisers of an advanced design. The pearl of Finnish-built cruisers is the Royal Princess, which was built by Wärtsilä in Helsinki and delivered to the P & O line last autumn.

Despite these successes, it is clear there are few possibilities of increasing shipbuilding capacity. Rationalization has wiped out 1,000 jobs, and the industry now employs 17,000 people in four major companies – Wärtsilä, Rauma-Repola and Hollming, which are private, and the state-owned Valmet.

Kari Airaksinen, head of Valmet's shipbuilding division, pointed out in a recent interview that the building of "ordinary" ships has moved to a Asia for good, and Europeans will never get it back. This forces Finns as well as others to find new areas of operation.

Finland is one of West Europe's four biggest shipbuilders, together with West Germany, Spain and Denmark. Finnish yards build about 40 ocean-going vessels a year, which amounts to between 300,000 and 350,000 gross tonnes. The figures alone do not give a full picture because Finnish yards build almost exclusively expensive and profitable specialized ships. Right at this moment their order books contain about 50 ocean-going vessels, which include research ships, Arctic multi-purpose vessels, icebreakers, cruise liners, car-passenger ferries, Arctic tankers, roll on-roll off vessels, dredgers, crane vessels and oil drilling rigs.

Technically speaking, the Finnish shipbuilding industry stands in a comparatively strong position. Rationalization was carried out in the 1970s, and it has provided good results. The mistake of building huge 500,000 tonners was luckily avoided because they would have cost the capital-starved companies too much. Thus, Finns avoided the difficulties encountered by those European countries like Sweden which entered into a welding competition with the Asian countries and lost.

Industry specialists say that according to present estimates the situation will remain stable. About half of the production will be sold to the Soviet Union – which needs Arctic vessels especially – and virtually the remainder to the Western domestic markets.

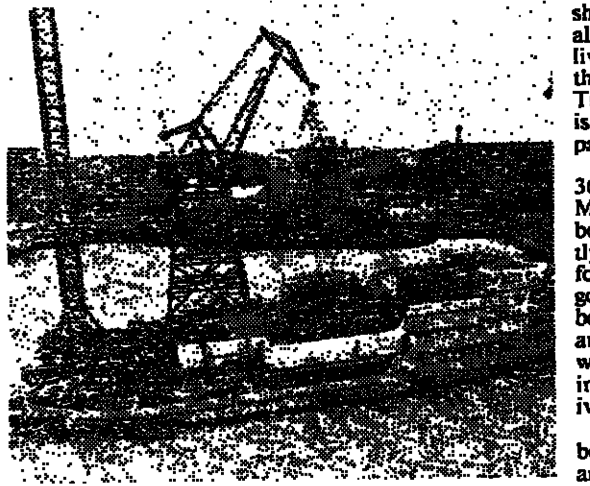
Finns already have a foothold in Arctic oil production technology as well as other Arctic seafaring. The Arctic is expected to play an ever increasing role because new oilfields have to be found further to the north of Europe's and North America's existing fields.

Wärtsilä is by far the most successful Finnish shipbuilder, and has been able to stay out of trouble better than local competitors. Icebreakers were for long Wärtsilä's imagemaker, but cruise liners have come to play a more prominent role in the company's order books. It has built more than 30 passenger and cruise ships since the war and claims to be responsible for about one third of the cruise ships built in the world since the beginning of the 1970s.

This year, Wärtsilä's yards have been busy with huge car-passenger ferries. The main competitors in the lucrative but fiercely competitive car ferry traffic between Sweden and Finland, the Silja Line and the Viking Line, have ordered a total of three big car ferries. One of the 35,000-tonne ships, Svea, has already been delivered to serve on the Stockholm-Turku route, which is used by 800,000 passengers a year.

Viking's new 36,400-tonne vessel Mariella, which will be delivered shortly, has cabin space for 2,500 passengers. It will operate between Helsinki and Stockholm, which is becoming increasingly attractive to passengers.

The traffic between Sweden and Finland has long since ceased to be merely travelling. More and more people use the ferries for entertainment and mini-cruises, and shipping specialists say that short two to three day cruises to Stockholm or Helsinki represent the real growth area. The design of the new ships has been adapted accordingly.


Shipbuilding at Wärtsilä, Helsinki

Wärtsilä has its own arctic research centre, which includes one of the world's largest model test basins. The company has begun to adapt its ice-breaking know-how to offshore drilling, although icebreakers remain in the forefront of the company's future plans.

Valmet, which has always been in the shadow of Wärtsilä, is also moving gradually from Arctic vessels to offshore technology. It has decided to buy part of the necessary technology and has concluded a technical co-operation agreement with London-based Foster and Wheeler Petroleum Development Limited.

Earlier, Valmet bought 40 per cent of Intec Engineering of Houston, Texas, which specializes in submarine pipelines, pipelaying techniques, floating production systems and offshore terminals.

Valmet has developed an advance design for a deep-water monohull pipelayer, which is strengthened against ice to provide longer operational periods in the Arctic. Because fixed oil production platforms are not ideal in all oil and gas fields, especially the marginal fields, the company is also concentrating on floating production systems. It has been able to overcome financial difficulties caused by bad management. The company is also moving into passenger ships and cruise liners and has already won an order for a 21,000 tonne cruise liner for the Åland island based Birka Line.

Olli Kivinen

Action afloat: Paper for British newspapers: top, a launch becomes a grocery in Helsinki; and the Valmet shipyard at nearby Vuosaari

The forests that are exported to Britain

Trade between Finland and Britain has been a source of concern for many years, particularly because strenuous, but largely unsuccessful, efforts have been made by both nations to correct the significant and increasing imbalance.

About half of Finland's exports to Britain are the products of the forest – paper, board, pulp and timber – and this country is the Finns' best single overseas market. Almost all of it is delivered by sea.

Britain's insatiable appetite for paper, particularly newsprint, has led to a big balance of trade surplus in Finland's favour. It could never be possible for a country with a population of fewer than five million to absorb the equivalent value of imported goods from Britain, but the trade surplus has not remained constant. In recent years it has grown continuously and in 1983 the value of Finnish sales was nearly twice that of the British.

The UK's overall share has declined

Jorma Keino, chairman of the Finnish-British Trade Association and also of Finnpap, the association of paper mills, says: "Though it is perhaps natural that Finland with its vast exports of forest industry products to the large British market should have a trade surplus, it is a disappointment to those of us who try to promote Anglo-Finnish trade that Britain's share of the small but affluent Finnish market has steadily declined."

According to British government figures, imports from Finland were worth £1,248 million last year, a rise of over a quarter on 1983. Exports to Finland, however, were just £684 million, and, though this represented a 27 per cent increase on the 1983 figure, the surplus of £564 million was a rise of more than £100 million on the previous year.

Britain's overall share of the Finnish domestic market has declined from 23 per cent in the 1950s to less than seven per cent today. Paper and pulp exports from Finland to Britain last year were up in value by 25 per cent to £561 million, representing 45 per cent of all Finnish exports to this country. Machinery and transport equipment exports amounted to a further £107 million, boosted last year by the completion of the Royal Princess cruise liner.

Finland's chief imports from Britain are machinery and transport equipment, manufactured goods, particularly textiles, oil and petroleum products and chemicals. Major innovative deals have been concluded in recent years to try to close the trade gap, but there are few now on the horizon. The biggest was the controversial offset agreement signed in 1977 to supply Finland with 50 British Aerospace Hawk trainer aircraft.

The £102 million purchase price was to be offset by BAe and Rolls-Royce, the engine-maker, finding business for an equivalent amount around the world. The task was completed within three years and involved a wide range of contracts, from the sale of Finnish vodka to an oil rig.

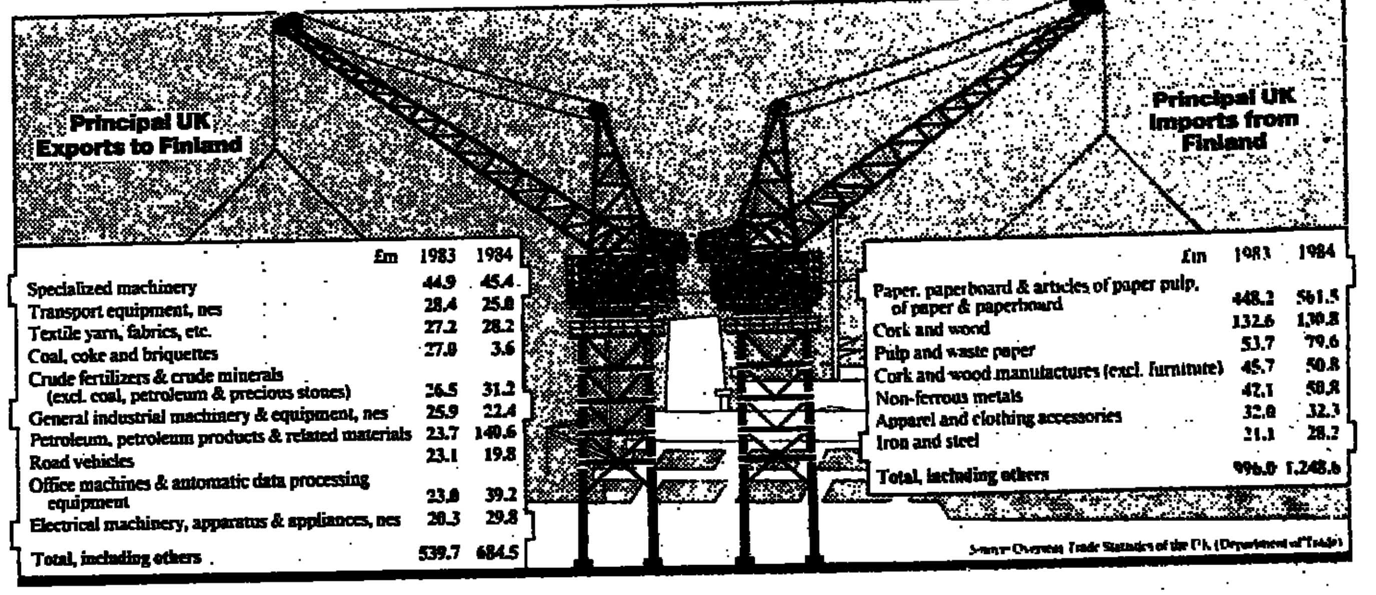
However, orders such as the Hawk are becoming increasingly rare – and British representation at Finnish trade fairs and exhibitions is lessening. Mr Keino adds: "Much of the information we have in Finland about industrial Britain is superficial and often concentrated on the decline of the old smokestack industries. Too little information is given about the development of new technology in Britain.

"A further point that seems to hamper British exports to Finland is that comparatively few British businessmen seem to take the trouble and expense to travel to Finland and visit potential customers. All too often, in place of a personal call, a vaguely worded letter is sent asking for possible agents. This is hardly adequate in today's conditions of severe competition."

Britain has two distinct advantages over other would-be exporters to Finland: a large store of goodwill towards the British, and English, which is the first foreign language in Finland.

In shipping, Finland has developed a unique arrangement for the shipment of the huge forest products exports – the Transfennica Corporation. Established 10 years ago by the four big paper, board, pulp and converting associations, which together have 27 member companies, Transfennica is the largest shipper of forest products in the world. Last year it handled five million tonnes of goods. About 80 per cent of the cargoes goes to Europe, the remainder delivered to about 160 non-European ports. In Europe, Britain is the principal destination.

Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent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Principal UK Exports to Finland

£m	1983	1984
Specialized machinery	44.9	45.4
Transport equipment, nes	28.4	25.0
Textile yarn, fabrics, etc.	27.2	28.2
Coal, coke and briquettes	27.0	3.6
Crude fertilizers & crude minerals (excl. coal, petroleum & precious stones)	26.5	31.2
General industrial machinery & equipment, nes	25.9	22.4
Petroleum, petroleum products & related materials	23.7	140.6
Road vehicles	23.1	19.8
Office machines & automatic data processing equipment	23.0	39.2
Electrical machinery, apparatus & appliances, nes	20.3	29.8
Total, including others	539.7	684.5

Principal UK Imports from Finland

£m	1983	1984
Paper, paperboard & articles of paper pulp, of paper & paperboard	448.2	561.5
Cork and wood	132.6	130.8
Pulp and waste paper	53.7	79.6
Cork and wood manufactures (excl. furniture)	45.7	50.8
Non-ferrous metals	42.1	58.8
Apparel and clothing accessories	32.0	32.3
Iron and steel	21.1	28.2
Total, including others	996.0	1,248.6

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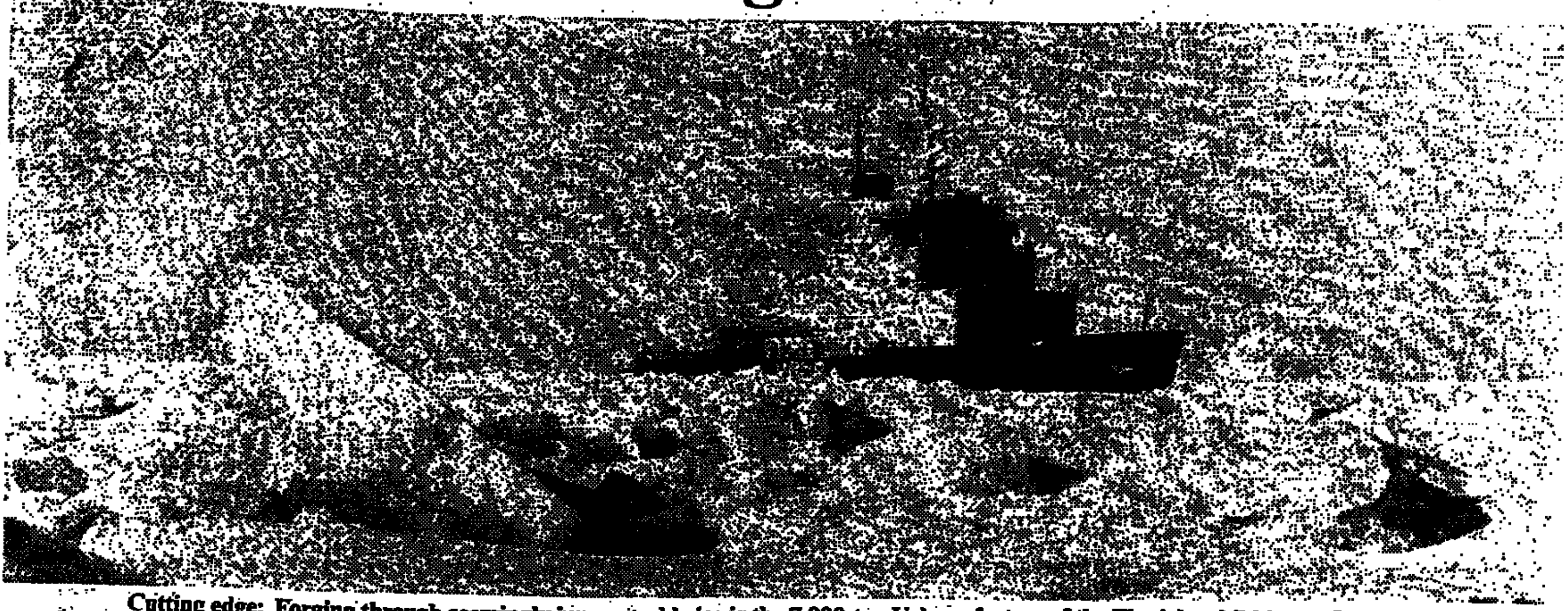
Pathfinders through the frozen waters



Cutting edge: Forging through seemingly impenetrable ice is the 7,900-ton Urho, a feature of the Finnish exhibition at Greenwich

Not everyone wants to buy an icebreaker. But if you do you will find that the Finns build the best in the world. Designing and constructing icebreakers and special vessels for use in Arctic waters has become a Finnish speciality. More than 60 per cent of all icebreakers afloat in the world today have been designed and built in Finland.

In order to maintain year-round navigation in the Baltic and the northernmost parts of the Gulf of Bothnia the Finnish and Swedish governments decided during the late 1960s to build a new generation of icebreakers which could cope with the worst expected conditions – ice up to one metre thick.

This decision has enabled the Finnish yards to become some of the most experienced in the world in building ice vessels of all kinds and in Arctic engineering technology in general.

The 7,900-ton Urho, now visiting the Thames, was the first of the new class built by Wärtsilä and was delivered in 1975. Today the yard has delivered 54 icebreakers of various kinds and has another four on order.

The latest contract is for two shallow-draft nuclear-powered vessels of 52,000 horsepower each which are being built for the Soviet Union, Finland's best icebreaker customer, at a cost of £285m.

These vessels have more than twice the power of the Urho but the same shallow draft of approximately 8 metres, which is important for their operations close to the Siberian river system of the Soviet Arctic.

Other icebreakers with even shallower draft are designed for use in the rivers themselves, which are the only means of transporting goods and equipment for the massive Soviet mineral exploration programmes now under way.

Winter of 1983 trapped 90 Soviet ships

The latest type of icebreaker being built by Wärtsilä for the Finnish Board of Navigation is the Karhu 11 class. The first one will be delivered next year and represents a new generation of icebreakers with a special hull form designed after months of testing with models in the Wärtsilä Arctic research centre.

Two years ago the company completed its new "ice testing" tank, which is now the most sophisticated and the largest in the world.

The actual hull lines under the water are a closely guarded secret at Wärtsilä, which rarely, if ever, reveals any accurate drawings of its icebreakers below the water line. Eero Makinen, who was in charge of Wärtsilä's Arctic design and marketing division, is one of the world's leading experts in icebreaking technology. He now heads Wärtsilä's subsidiary company in Vancouver, Canada.

He explains the significance of 20 years' research to produce correct hull design for the most efficient way of breaking ice: "Usually a ship cracks the ice with a downward movement of the bows, using her own headway and weight after first rising up over the ice. This has proved to be the most efficient way of forcing a passage through ice of all kinds."

The secret is to design a ship with the most satisfactory downward-bearing hull, which can achieve maximum breaking efficiency when the bows rear up over the ice.

Another problem, which has to be overcome for both icebreakers and cargo ships with special ice-breaking capacity is friction between the hull sides and the broken ice floes.

Wärtsilä has developed a unique patent air bubbling system known as WABS which can lower friction resistance from ice by between 20 and 60 per cent. Air is blown into the water from a line of holes in the ship's bilges and the bubbles rise along the sides of the vessel and form a lubricating layer between the ship's side and the broken ice.

A ship becomes icebound when friction overcomes forward – or reverse – inertia, as was clearly demonstrated during the severe winter of 1983-84. This was one of the worst recorded for more than 100 years. Some 90 Soviet merchant ships became trapped in the Arctic.

The seas between the Kolyma river and the Bering Strait started to freeze much earlier than usual, trapping the ships, and even icebreakers. The polar ice began forming and moving south at a speed of more than three knots an hour, forming shoreline ridges of ice 10 metres high.

It took a month to rescue the trapped ships, 30 of which were damaged, some quite badly. But only one vessel, a dry cargo ship, sank after being crushed by the ice. Among the ships to get through were a dozen 17,000-ton Arctic tankers built by Rauma-Repola, another Finnish company specializing in building ice-strengthened cargo vessels of various types.

Search for minerals led to new techniques

Rauma-Repola has also built some of the only oil drilling ships for use in the Arctic offshore waters north of Siberia, where the ice is often more than three metres thick but may have ridges on the surface up the 15 metres high.

If the sea ice is relatively free of ridges, special air cushion vehicles (ACVs) can be used to ferry cargoes to or from the shore if the icebreaker cannot get close enough because of shallow water or ice that is too thick. Wärtsilä is now building 10 ACVs for use in the Soviet Arctic.

Another Helsinki yard, operated by Valmet, the big state-owned engineering conglomerate, has just delivered the Anatoliy Kolesnichenko SA-15 Super Arctic multi-purpose cargo vessel to the Soviet Union.

Valmet, which was one of the last yards in the world to build sailing merchant schooners regularly after the last war, has designed and built several classes of ice-strengthened cargo ships. This latest class can cut through solid ice one metre thick, at a steady one-to-two knots and operate in temperatures down to minus 50deg C.

Many modifications have been incorporated in this latest ship following the disasters of the 1983-84 winter. The 14,000-ton vessel now has additional ice protection and heated ballast tanks.

It is the search for minerals, not only in Soviet Siberian Arctic regions but in Canada and Alaska as well, which has led to so much development of polar technology by the Finns. Professor Pauli Jumppanen, who is director of the structural engineering department of Finland's Technical Research Centre, the VTT, is one of the leading experts in polar engineering.

Professor Jumppanen believes that Finland's wealth of specialized technology in Arctic engineering, which is not limited to designing and building ships, will play a major role in finding new areas for commercial exploitation.

There is more than one way to break the ice – and the Finns, it might be said, are at the leading edge of a very specialized technology.

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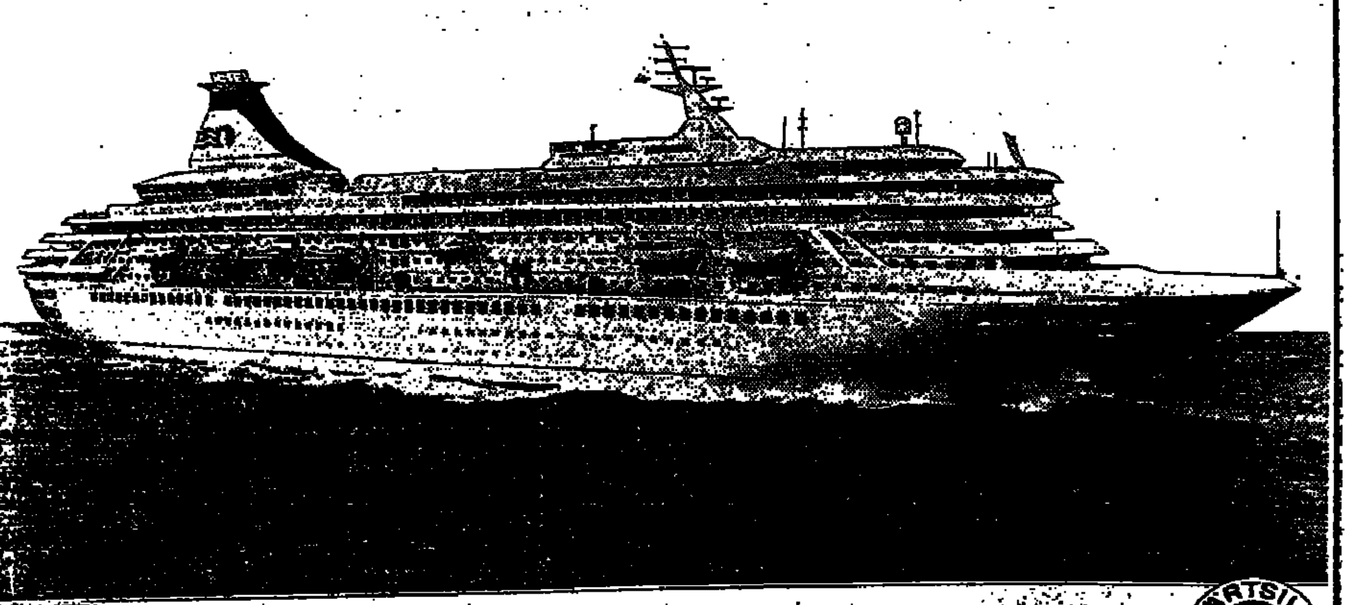

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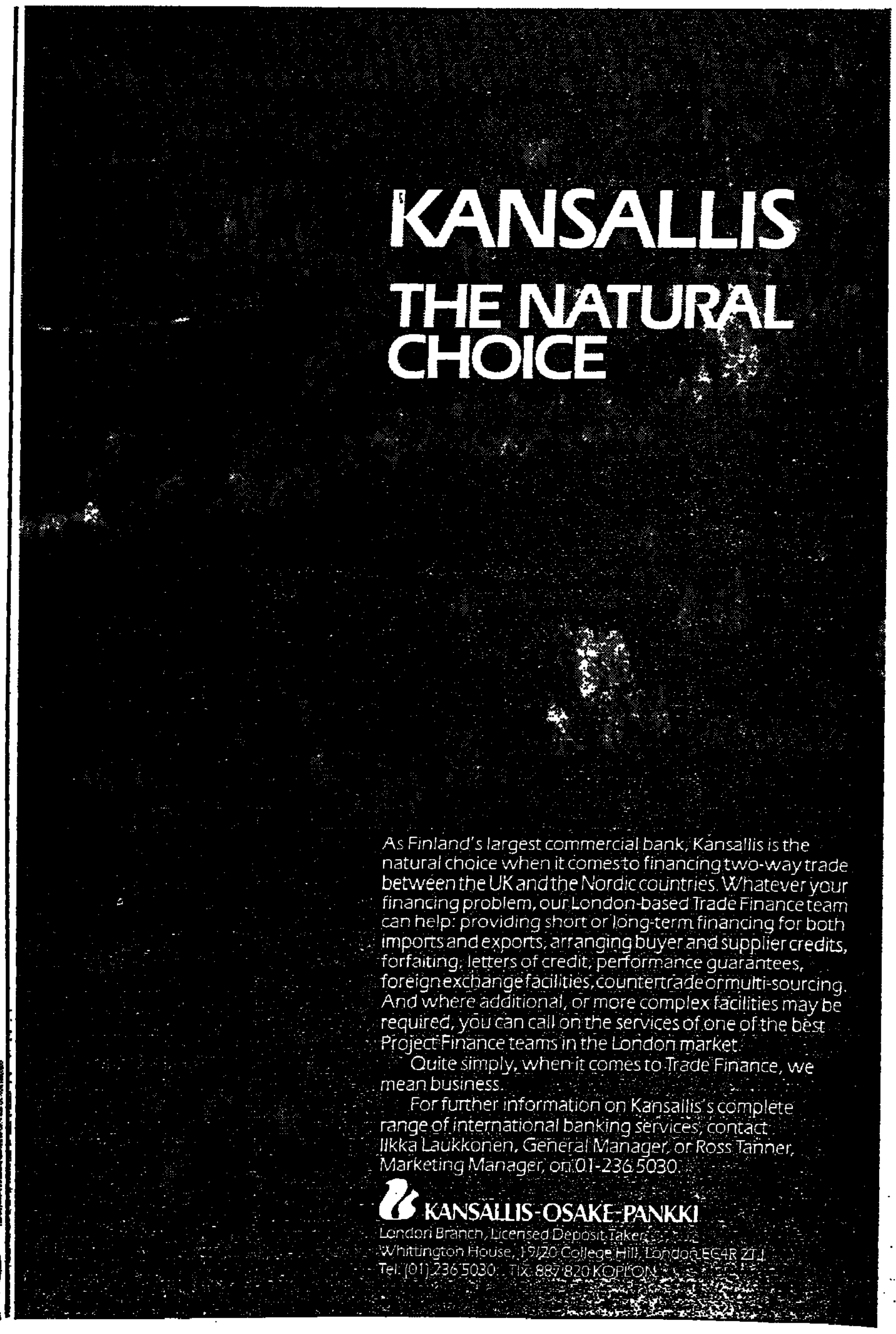

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FOOTBALL: ENGLAND'S FORWARDS ON TRIAL AGAINST A SUSPECT FINLAND DEFENCE

Robson looks for a silky finish

From Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent, Helsinki

The referee was instructed to turn out in silk coat and spats when Finland first played host to England. The Scandinavians were humiliated 8-0, and although their football has moved up in the world during the intervening 48 years and two days, they still treat their English visitors – here for the World Cup qualifying tie this afternoon – as royal guests.

Their record against England suggests that they have little right to feel anything but inferior. In the seven internationals between the two nations, they have conceded 31 goals, scored only four, and have yet to avoid defeat. No wonder Bobby Robson, England's manager, would regard even a draw as " a failure".

Yet Finland's results against other nations, particularly during their recent extensive travels, confirms that their improvement has been significant. Since being humbled 5-0 at Wembley last October, they have lost by the odd goal in three in Northern Ireland, Spain, Uruguay (who beat England by a wider margin last summer), Mexico and Poland.

Although Robson respects the Finnish improvement, he is more concerned, and understandably so, about his own finishing school. He was not prepared to specify individuals, but, in admitting that there were "some areas of the team that were disappointing during our last game in Romania", it was clear that his comments were directed at the forward line.

Barnes, who was one of the two forwards to be substituted during the goalless draw in Bucharest, accepts that he is fortunate to retain his place in the starting line-up. Since Waddle is now threatening his position on the left flank, Barnes is aware that he cannot afford, as he says, "to have two indifferent games in a row".

Nor can Francis afford to maintain a striking rate that stands at only one goal in every fourth international appearance. Apart from scoring on the relatively meaningless tour of Australia, he has not found the net for England for more than two years; nor did he look like ending that lengthy sequence against the Romanians.

Robson is relieved that Hateley is "for once here with us, fit and ready". It was Hateley's two goals against the Finns seven months ago that confirmed him as the obvious leader of England's World Cup challenge, and his height makes him the most obvious threat in the Olympic Stadium today.

Finland's defence is known to be fallible in the air, and Huttenen, their goalkeeper, looks so unsure on his way out to handle crosses, that if he ever played cricket, his captain would field him at third men at both ends. He prefers to punch the ball rather than catch it.

Not that England plan to concentrate on the one weakness. Even though Bryan Robson and, particularly, Steven might be feeling tired during the later stages, folowing their efforts in the extended FA Cup Final on Saturday, England's attacks shold be far too broad, too quick and too varied for the Finns to contain them all.

Hateley, Bryan Robson – who has never failed to score against Finland – Butcher and Anderson are sure to cause trouble at corners and free kicks, so Huttunen's afternoon is likely to be little more comfortable than was his evening at Wembley. Shilton, on the other hand, should keep his unbeaten record of over nine hours.

Before looking for mistakes by English defenders though, the Finns must first overcome their own psychological flaw. "Did you know, that they took their own autograph books out with them at Wembley?" a local journalist asked.

● England will play Israel for the first time, in a friendly international in Tel Aviv on February 26 next year.

TEAMS, GROUP TABLE AND FIXTURES

	Age	Caps
P Shilton (So'ton)	35	68
V Anderson (Notts For)	28	15
K Sansom (Arsenal)	26	50
T Fenwick (QPR)	25	6
T Butcher (Ipswich)	26	30
T Steven (Everton)	21	3
B Robson (Man Utd, capt)	28	41
R Wilkins (AC Milan)	28	68
M Hateley (AC Milan)	23	8
T Francis (Sampdoria)	31	47
J Barnes (Watford)	21	17

SUBSTITUTES: G Bailey (Man Utd) or C Woods (Norwich), D Watson (Norwich), G Hoddle (Tottenham), G Lineker (Leicester), C Waddle (Newcastle).

FINLAND: O Huttunen (Haka); A Lahtinen (Notts County), P Kymalainen (TPS), J Ikalainen (KePS), J Nieminen (HJK Helsinki), H Turunen (KuPS), L Houtsonen (KuPS), K Ukkonen (Cercle Bruges), M Lipponen (TPS), P Rautiainen (Arminia Bielefeld), J Rantanen (HJK Helsinki).

Group Three table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	4	3	1	0	14	0	7
N Ireland	5	3	0	2	7	5	6
Finland	4	2	0	2	4	8	4
Romania	3	1	1	1	5	3	3
Turkey	4	0	0	4	1	15	0

REMAINING FIXTURES: May 22: Finland v England; June 6: Finland v Romania; August 28: Romania v Finland; September 11: Turkey v Northern Ireland, England v Romania; 25: Finland v Turkey; October 16: Romania v Northern Ireland, England v Turkey; November 13: England v Northern Ireland; 14: Turkey v Romania.

Boniek may be out of final

Zbigniew Bonick, the Juventus and Polish international midfield player, could miss the European Cup Final against Liverpool next Wednesday in Brussels, because he has to play for his country in Albania the following day, in a World Cup qualifying match.

Liverpool have concluded a further three-year sponsorship deal with Crown Paints, which could be worth £1 million to the club.

● Wales make two changes in their squad for the match with Norway, in Bergen on June 5, their final match before the important World Cup qualifying tie against Scotland, in Cardiff on September 11. The Chelsea defender, Joey Jones, returns from suspension

SQUAD: N Southall (Everton, E Niedzwiecki (Chelsea); N Slatter (Bristol Rovers), K Ratcliffe (Everton, capt.), J Jones (Chelsea) P Van Den Hauwe (Everton), K Jackett (Watford), R James (Queens Park Rangers), D Phillips (Manchester City), M Thomas (Chelsea), P Nicholas (Luton), A Curtis (Southampton), I Rush (Liverpool), M Hughes (Manchester United), S Lovell (Millwall), J Hopkins (Fulham)

SPANISH SQUAD (v Republic of Ireland in Cork on Sunday): Zubizarreta, Ablanedo; A Goicoechea, Gerardo, Julio Alberto, A Maceda, J Camacho, Victor, Caldere, R Gallego, Marina, R Gordillo, Marcos, H Rincon, E Butragueno, C Santillana.

SWISS SQUAD (v Republic of Ireland, World Cup, in Dublin on June 2): K Engel, E Burgener; A Egli, C In-Albon, R Wehrli, H Luedi, U Barberis, J-P Brigger, M Decastel, A Geiger, M Braschler, G Bregy, D Cina, H Hermann, C Matthey, B Sutter.

DANISH SQUAD (v Soviet Union, World Cup, in Copenhagen on June 5): O Qvist, T Rasmussen; M Olsen, S Busk, I Nielsen, H Andersen, H Sivebaek, P Frimann, S Lerby, F Arnesen, K Berggren, J Olsen, M Laudrup, P Elkjaer. Plus two from A Simonsen, J Lauridse, J J Bertelsen, K Brylle, F Christensen, F Larsen.

Toshack released from Lisbon post

Lisbon (Reuter) – Former Welsh international John Toshack resigned yesterday as manager of the Portuguese first division club Sporting.

Toshack, aged 36, who signed a three-year contract with the Lisbon side last year, announced his decision with only two games remaining in this season's first division championship.

Sporting are guaranteed the runners-up position to Porto, but the team's inconsistent form and their early elimination from the cup competitin had been a disappointment. Toshack's deputy, Pedro Gomes, also offered his resignation but agreed to take over for the last two games of the season.

● The Coventry chairman, John Poynton, is threatening to take legal action against the Football League over his club's fixture chaos. Poynton has been angered because Coventry City and Norwich may have to wait until early June to know whether they play in the first division next season.

The Football League have informed Coventry that their match against Everton will probabluy have to be played on June 4. Norwich have finished their fixtures but Coventry can overhaul them by beating Luton tomorrow and then the league champions.

● Relegated Wolverhampton are making their players and staff wait for their wages. Gordon Taylor the PFA secretary has warned that the future of the struggling club could be at risk if they are forced into receivership.

He said that the Football League could say "no" to a second rescue operation if the once famous club collapses again in the face of mounting debts.

"This situation cannot be allowed to go on" said Taylor. "The owners seem to be making it clear to everyone they are not prepared to put money into the club."

● Keith Houghton, the Lincoln City and former Carlisle defender, has been forced to retire from the game through injury.

Young England upset by Finns

Finland Under-21 3
England Under-21 1

Helsinki (AP) – Finland beat England in this Group Three under-21 championship match at Mikkeli, eastern Finland, yesterday. The Finns, who lost the first encounter 2-0 at Southampton last year, took an early 2-0 lead through Ilkka Makela in the twelfth minute and Mikko Pakkanen in the seventeenth.

England only consolation came in the 55th minute through Kerry Dixon. Thirty minutes later Ismo Lios scored a third for the hosts.

Group Three

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	4	1	2	1	3	3	4
Romania	2	1	1	0	1	0	3
Finland	3	1	1	1	4	4	3
Turkey	3	0	2	1	1	2	2

Spaniards prepare to celebrate

Madrid (Reuter) – Real Madrid, six times European Cup winners but without a European trophy since 1966, will almost certainly take possession of the UEFA Cup here tonight. The Spaniards took a grip on the trophy two weeks ago when they beat Videoton, of Hungary, in the first leg of their final, 3-0.

Videoton hope Ferenc Csongrady and Lajos Majer pass late fitness tests. Real will probably field the same side which won in Hungary.

The main problem facing Luis Molowny, the Real Madrid manager, is how to avoid cover-confidence. He said: "I want my players to be tense. It's dangerous for them to become relaxed. I don't agree with those who think Videoton are a weak side. We had a very good night in Hungary, but that doesn't mean they're amateurs.

The Hungarians' morale took a further blow when they lost 1-0 at Debrecen in the Hungarian League on Friday, thus weakening their chances of winning the title.

● The Manchester United manager, Ron Atkinson, decided yesterday to accept the three-year contract offered to him before Saturday's FA Cup Final win over Everton. He has rejected offers from European clubs because, he says: "My burning ambition is to win the league championship with United.

The Football Association will announce the decision on Kevin Moran's FA Cup winners' medal at Lancaster Gate today.

Italy's manager puts in a good Latin word for the English abroad

Hateley makes his mark as new Riva

Enzo Bearzot: all wrapped up in the foreign game

In the first minute of the 1970 World Cup final in Mexico City Italy almost took the lead against Brazil with a 25-yard shot from their outside left, Riva, one of the most powerful and feared kickers in the game's history. Enzo Bearzot, Italy's manager, told me recently in Milan that Italian League teams are afraid of Mark Hateley, Milan's English centre forward, as they were of Riva in his days at Cagliari.

This is significant news for England's manager, Bobby Robson, as is also Bearzot's view that next year's finals will not, because of altitude, be played at the same slow pace as in 1970. Players have become fitter, he says, and it will be possible to play a more physically energetic game than it was 16 years ago. He expects to discover the extent to which this is true over the next three weeks, with matches in Puebla, where the holders will stay next summer, and against Mexico and England in Mexico City.

There is valid concern that Hateley's lack of ball control may squander precious possession in the finals but Bearzot thinks this is a diminishing factor. "He has been improving all season. He is learning", he says. "Not even Rummenigge frightens defences the way Hateley does here. I believe England can be a strong contender because from those matches I have seen there is a blend of brains and strength in midfield, where Wilkins is vital, and more reliability when playing away from home, which was a fault in the past".

Few see more foreign football than the indefatigible Bearzot, who joins Herberger and Schön, of West Germany, in the distinction of being manager in three final competitions (Schön in four). Ramsey, of course, fell short of his third; Feola, of Brazil, missed 1962 and returned ineffectually in 1966; Menotti has been replaced after two.

There is probably no more criticized job in football that Bearzot's Vittorio Pozzo, in the comparitively unpressured pre-war days, won the Cup twice and would presumably have had a third attempt. Bearzot's objective, having taken charge at the time of the United States bicentenery tournament in 1976 – in which England beat Italy 3-2 from two down – has been to attempt to change the cautious mentality of the national team which, apart from reaching the 1970 final, had had a sequence of traumas in four other competitions from 1958 to 1974.

He has tried to exploit a natural ability equivalent to that of Argentina, Hungary and Yugoslavia, and almost to that of Brazil. He nearly succeeded in 1978, defeating Argentina in the first round; and, after an arid first round in Spain, won the Cup, though not without expedient fouling in the final. Now? He is not sure, for he is creating a new team and has mixed feelings about absence of competitive qualifying matches, as holders.

"It could be a disadvantage", he admits, "yet it is easier to test young players under less pressure, though we have no such thing as a friendly match. The stress is thre all the time. Every match last week before and afterwards in the Press. Our game against Portugal at Ascoli, which we won 2-0 with goals from Conti and Rossi, was watched by 18 million on television. The psychological environment remains difficult but what I do have is a competitive element within the squad in the struggle for selection".

In the country where any defeat is regarded as catastrophic, Bearzot, more than most managers, is able to remain sanguine: defeats, he says, reveal players' character. His team are less advanced than they were in early 1981, by when they had already ensured qualification; but he is pleased with the speed and technique of the defensive group of Bergomi, Cabrini, Vierchowod, Collovati, Tricella and Righetti.

"The problem is in midfield," he says. "All the stars in Italian football are foreign midfield players -o Souness, Boniek, Platini, Brady, Cerezo, Falcao, Socrates, Zico, Briegel, Dirceu. Young Italians playing close to such foreigners improve their technique but not their personality and leadership." Against Portugal the midfield was Conti, Bagni, DiGenaro and Tardelli, the forwards Altobelli and Rossi. Bearzot does not share the view that Rossi has declined, insisting that the hit man of 1982 still creates chances. "His finishing touch will reappear suddenly," he says.

Bearzot agrees that the positive mentality receded between 1978 and 1982. "The style was the same but Conti, Altobelli and Rossi are not Causio, Graziani and Bettega". He clings to the belief that international teams, though searching for the coherence and consistency of club teams, must always be open to the late inclusion of men with ability: such as Hurst, Ball and Peters in 1966.

"In the last two World Cups I have had players emerge in the last month before the finals. In the World Cup you should try never to dwell on what happened the day before. But for Italy, perhaps more than any team, the vital first match determines the psychology of the tournament. In 1982 our opening goalless draw with Poland was very good. The mental failure was when we slipped back into defensive ways when leading Peru 1-0 in the second match. I was very angry on the bench".

It has been fascinating for 10 years to observe this untypical Italian trying to prevent his countrymen behaving like . . . Italians.

David Miller

FOR THE RECORD

FOOTBALL

First division

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Northern Area final

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(aet: score at 90 mins 1-1; Wigan win 3-1 on penalties. Winners play Brentford in final at Wembley on June 1).

BASEBALL

UNITED STATES: American League: Toronto Blue Jays 6, Chicago White Sox 1; Minnesota Twins 5, Boston Red Sox 2; Texas Rangers 8, Kansas City Royals 7; California Angels 7, Detroit Tigers 2. National League: Montreal Expos 9, Los Angeles Dodgers 1; Chicago Cubs 6, Cincinnati Reds 1; Pittsburgh Pirates 3, Houston Astros 1; San Diego Padres 2, New York Mets 0; Philadelphia Phillies 2, San Francisco Giants 1; St Louis Cardinals 14, Atlanta Braves 0.

VOLLEYBALL

Oita, Japan: Japan 3, Soviet Union 0.

CYCLING

NEUBRANDENBURG, EAST GERMANY: Peace Race: Tenth stage, (146Km, time bonus included): 1, R Suun (USSR) 3hr 4min 34sec; 2, C Bomans (Bel) 0:04 sec behind; 3, J van der Poel (Neth) at 0:07. British placings: 111, G Dyson, K Morgan 10sec behind; 185, M Gornall 3mm 53sec behind; 192, M Eadon 4:18; 198, K Clarke same time. Overall leading positions (after 10th stage): 1, L Piasecki (Pol) 35hr 59min 57sec; 2, A Mierzejewski (Pol) 0.46 behind; 3, F Boden (EG) 0.54. British overall placings: 90, K Morgan 1hr 42min 47sec; 92, M Gornall 1:52:38; 94, K Clarke 1:54:54; 98, G Davison 2:00:32; 101, M Eadon 2:04:57.

NEUBRANDENBURG, East Germany: Prague-Warsaw-Berlin Peace Race: Eleventh stage (35km individual time-trial): Leading placings (time bonus included): 1, L Piasecki (Pol), 46min 24sec; 2, V Klimov (USSR), 14sec behind; 3, V Shdanov (USSR), 29; 4, U Ampler (EG), 31; 5, M Jurco (Cz) 44; 6, A Mierzejewski (Pol), 48. British placings: 58, K Clarke, 4 min 35 sec behind; 80, K Morgan, 6.01; 87, G Davison, 6.27; 99, M Eadon, 7.22; 105, M Gornall, 8.02. Leading overall individual placings (after eleventh stage): 1, Piasecki, 36 hr 46.21 min; 2, Mierzejewski, 1.34 min behind; 3, Ampler 1.47; 4, Boen (EG), 2.16; 5, J Skoda (Cz) 2.24; 6, P Ugryumev (USSR), 2.27. British overall placings: 89, K Morgan, 1:48:48 behind leader; 92, K Clark, 1:59.29; 95, M Gornall, 2:00.38; 98, G Davison 2:06.59. Overall team placings (after eleventh stage): 1, Soviet Union, 113 hr 31.09 min; 2, East Germany, 2.05 mins behind; 3, Czechoslovakia, 3.49; 4, Poland, 7.31.

TENNIS

PADDINGTON: LTA tournament: Men's singles: First round: D Maasdorp (SA) bt S Heron (Yorks) 6-2, 6-3; K Tomlin (Middx) bt J van Neuwkerk (Neth) 6-3, 6-3; M Gurr (Zim) bt R Aldridge (Worcs) 7-5, 7-6; T Keefe (Middx) bt J Straughan (Guyana) 6-3, 6-0; P Pospisil (Can) bt P Haslam (Middx) 6-2, 6-2; I Blakeman (Cheshire) bt M Dawson (Staffs) 6-1, 6-4; J Feaver (Dorset) bt S Curtis (Middx) 6-1, 6-4; I Currie (Essex) bt T Davies (Middx) 6-1, 6-1; D Semmel (SA) bt K Williams (Aus) 6-2, 7-6; L Davies (Salop) bt A Johnson (Surrey) 6-4, 6-4.

Second round: (GB unless stated): P Moore bt A Smith 6-4, 6-2; D Maasdorp (SA) bt A Alfano, 6-2, 6-3; M Gurr (Zim) bt K Tomlin, 6-1, 6-2; H McGuinness bt P Hughesman 6-4, 6-1; S Botfield bt C Clarke 6-1, 6-2; M Baroch (Aus) bt R Antoun 6-0, 6-2; S Matthews bt J Rigby 6-4, 6-4.

Women's singles: First round: J Reeves bt R Jafarey 6-1, 6-2; N Zhong (Ch) bt K Brown, 6-2, 6-0; A Dantis (Rom) bt T Barua, 6-2, 6-1; C Trocan (Rom) bt F Osawa, (Jap) 7-5, 4-6, 6-2; B Welt bt M Jafarey 6-1, 6-0; B Niemeyer (US) bt D Schauerman 2-6, 6-2, 6-4; R Seaman (NZ) bt H Luscombe (Aus) 6-3, 6-2; A Walson (US) bt J Iddles, 2-6, 6-3, 8-6; D Peers bt J Hrebec (US), 0-6, 7-6, 6-4.

FLORENCE: International tournament: T Benhabiles (Fr) bt B Derlin (NZ) 7 – 5, 6 – 2; B Willenborg (US) bt E Edwards (SA) 2 – 6, 7 – 6, 6 – 0, S Meister (US) bt C Lewis (NZ) 3 – 6, 7 – 5, 7 – 5.

LUGANO: Women's European Open tournament: First round: C Jolissaint (Switz) bt C Vanier (Fr), 6-3, 6-2; B Herr (US) bt S Schmid (Switz) 6–1, 6–3; E Reponi-Longo (Arg) bt J Kitch (US), 6–2, 6–2; A Minter (Aus) bt M Paz (Arg), 6–3, 3–6, 6–4; S Mascarin (US) bt P Paradis (Fr), 3–6, 7–6, 6–4.

P Jauch-Delhees (Switz) bt L Gildemeister-Arraya (Peru), 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; M Skuherska (Cz) bt M Schropp (WG), 4-6, 6-3, 6-2; I Budarova (Cz) bt G Kim (US), 4-6, 6-0, 6-4. Second round: K Maleeva (Bul) bt T Scheur-Larsen (Den) 6-3, 6-3; K Horvath (US) bt D Spence (US) 6-7, 6-3, 6-4; E Burgin (US) bt E Reponi-Longo (Arg), 6-0, 6-3.

GOLF

PONTE VEDRA, Florida: PGA earnings list (US unless stated): 1, C Strange, $298,160; 2, C Peete, $269,030; 3, B Langer (WG), $267,835; 4, M O'Meara, $264,311; 5, C Stadler, $252,248; 6, L Wadkins, $231,911;

CRICKET

Gratefully received: Phillips catches Green off the bowling of Holland

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MAY 28 1878

The meeting between MCC and the first Australian touring team of 1878 was sensational and established "the Colonials" as a cricketing force for all time. On a wet pitch the Australians beat the most famous club in the world by nine wickets in a single afternoon. The scores were, MCC 33 (Spofforth 6 for 4) and 19 (Boyle 6 for 3, Spofforth 4 for 16); Australians 41 (Shaw 5 for 10, Morley 5 for 31) and 12 for 1.

MARYLEBONE CLUB AND GROUND v. THE AUSTRALIANS

Over 4,000 persons visited Lord's ground yesterday to witness one of the most extraordinary spectacles that has occurred at this place for a long time past. The Australians were not thought very highly of in their recent contest with Notts, but they showed themselves in a very different light yesterday, for better fielding has rarely occurred. Marylebone were provided with a well-selected team, but with the exception of Mr. Hornby no one exhibited anything worthy the name of a defence.

Mr. Ridley won the toss, and decided upon sending Messrs. W. G. Grace and Hornby to the wicket. Mr. Allan started bowling from the nursery end, followed by Mr. Boyle at the pavilion. Mr. Grace hit the former for four, but from the next ball he was caught at short leg. Mr. Booth's off stump was struck before he scored a run. Mr. Ridley then joined Mr. Hornby, and the score advanced to 25. At this stage Mr. Spofforth, a renowned bowler, very soon disposed of the latter. In the next six overs seven of the Marylebone wickets fell for six runs. Mr. Allan bowled nine overs for 14 runs, and took one wicket; Mr. Boyle 14 overs, 11 runs, three wickets; Mr. Spofforth five overs and three balls, four runs, six wickets. He took three wickets in three successive balls during his fourth over.

C. Bannerman and Midwinter began the Australian batting at 1.30, and within two hours, including luncheon, the whole eleven were got out for 41 runs – only one double figure. The bowling was intrusted to Shaw and Morley. The first named delivered 33 overs and two balls for 10 runs, and took five wickets; Morley the same number of overs, 31 runs, and also five wickets.

Marylebone resumed batting with Messrs. Grace and Webbe; and great indeed was the disappointment caused by Mr. Grace's quick retirement, without a run. It signified little who went in, for Messrs. Spofforth and Boyle were determined upon their speedy dismissal. Four wickets fell for one run. Flowers and Wild held together long enough to bring the score up to 16. At 4.50 the innings closed for 19. The Australians required but 12 runs to win. This number cost them one wicket, so that the Colonials beat the greatest and most powerful club in the world by nine wickets. They were loudly cheered by the assembled multitude for the achievement.

Cup omens seem to be with Hampshire

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

Hampshire, the only first-class county who have yet to reach a one-day final at Lord's, have drawn Leicestershire at Southampton in the quarter-finals of this year's Benson and Hedges Cup, to be played on June 5. Perhaps this, at last, is to be their year.

In Marshall and Greenidge, they have two of the half dozen best one-day cricketers in the world. The other four? Well, Hadlee, Richards and Shastri would be three of them, perhaps with Kapil Dev as the fourth. But ever before their two great West Indians recently rejoined them, Hampshire were having their moments. This, too, is Southampton's centenary season, which I like to think is auspicious.

As a bonus for having finished first in their zonal groups, Essex, Worcestershire and Northamptonshire, as well as Hampshire, qualified for a home tie. This leaves Worcestershire, who play Middlesex, with as big an occasion at New Road as there has been for a long time. Of the eight surviving sides, only Worcestershire, Derbyshire and Hampshire have not won this competition. With convincing victories over Lancashire and Yorkshire within the last week, Worcestershire are well capable of beating Middlesex now.

Essex must obviously be favoured to beat Derbyshire at Chelmsford. Hampshire and Essex were, in fact, the only two sides to win all their zonal matches, and although Lancashire won there in the quarter-finals of the B and H last year, Chelmsford is the place the four sides committed to away ties will have been hoping to avoid in yesterday's draw. Derbyshire's best effort in this competition was to reach the 1978 final with a side which contained only Hill and Miller of the present 11.

Of the Northamptonshire side that won in 1980, the first four in the order are still the same today: Cook, Larkins, Williams and Lamb. Their match with Kent promises to be very close, watched, like the others, by a full house. The last time they had one of those at Northampton was probably in 1981, in the NatWest Trophy, when Northamptonshire beat Lancashire by one wicket just as it was getting dark. I prefer Kent's chances on June 5, and expect them to reach the semi-finals with Essex, Hampshire and Worcestershire.

Draw

Essex v Derbyshire (at Chelmsford)
Worcestershire v Middlesex (at Worcester)
Hampshire v Leicestershire (at Southampton)
Northamptonshire v Kent (at Northampton)
To be played Wednesday, June 5.

Gooch's early chance

By John Woodcock

With very little summer weather behind them but one or two good performances, the Australians meet MCC at Lord's today in what, to some extent, is a dress rehearsal for the Test series.

MCC's side is a combination of those who may expect to play for England this season and others who will hope to do so one-day. The Australians, as is customary, will be concerned mainly to give as many of their batsmen as possible the chance to make runs. Their bowling is, accordingly, very thin.

For MCC Gooch, back from the wilderness, has the opportunity to strike an early blow at the Australian bowlers. He will go in with Fowler, the first time they have opened together in a representative match. It was Gooch's suspension which first opened the door to Fowler. But no one is chosed to play for MCC in this match without being on the selectors' short list.

There must have been a case for including Gower and letting him assess the Australians' form, but he is going to see plenty of them soon enough.

The turnover in players since the corresponding match last took place, in 1977, is unusually high. Thomson played then and two others: Athey, who eight years later still looked upon as "promising", and Willey. The Australians won the match, but I doubt whether they have the bowling to do it again, other than with the help of a declaration.

MCC TEAM: * M C J NICHOLAS (Hampshire), C W J Athey (Gloucestershire), G Fowler (Lancashire), †B N French (Nottinghamshire), G A Gooch (Essex), A J Lamb (Northamptonshire), A Sidebottom (Yorkshire), D J Thomas (Surrey), D L Underwood (Kent), P Willey (Leicestershire), N F Williams (Middlesex).

West Indian pair return

The West Indians Viv Richards and Joel Garner come into the Somerset squad for the first time this season against Hampshire at Taunton today. They return to a side beaten six times and with only one victory in eight matches.

Alastair Storie, aged 20, is set to replace Allan Lamb in the Northamptonshire side for the championship game against Kent at Northampton. Storie made a century on his first-class debut for Northamptonshire against Hampshire this month

Chris Gladwin is ready to make his first appearance of the season for Essex in their match against Yorkshire at Sheffield. The 23-year-old opener, who missed the early matches of the season after undergoing a back operation during the winter, will probably take over from Graham Gooch, who is also absent with the MCC.

Nottinghamshire's 21-year-old reserve wicketkeeper Chris Scott, who played only twice last season, replaces another MCC recruit, Bruce French, for the championship match with Leicestershire at Grace Road.

WARWICK UNDER-25 COMPETITION

TAUNTON: Somerset 18 for 0 v Warwickshire. Match abandoned.

Australians frustrated by le Roux

By Richard Streeton

Hove: Sussex drew with the Australians

This four-day match unexpectedly built up to a thrilling finish yesterday. The Australians were deprived of victory when they were unable to capture the last Sussex wicket. Garth Le Roux stayed with Imran Khan for the closing 28 balls during which a dropped catch cost the Australians the match.

With three overs left, Imran pulled Matthews, the off-spinner, high to long on. McDermott, fielding as a substitute, went on one knee to take the catch, but missed the ball. This was the fourteenth missed catch by the Australians since the tour began. Wayne Phillips also missed a stumping chance given by Gould against Matthews.

Only two hours 50 minutes remained when play started after lunch, following bad light and rain, and the match had seemed dead. Sussex, needing 318 to win with nine wickets left, could only aim at a draw. They seemed safe when Waller, the nightwatchman, was the only man dismissed in the first hour.

Then Sussex suddenly lost three wickets in eight balls. Parker was bowled by O'Donnell, driving. Holland, the leg spinner, dismissed Green and Colin Wells with successive bals. Green was caught behind sweeping, and Wells was leg-before not offering a stroke. Holland, then had Alan Wells caught at mid-on, and suddenly the Australians could sense they might win.

Imran and Barclay were together when the final 20 overs began, with Holland and Matthews bowling with great control. Matthews bowled Barclay and Greig as they tried to cut. Gould stayed five overs before he moved out to drive Holland, and was bowled. Holland delivered 20 overs unchanged to finish with four for 37, and skilfully varied his turn and trajectory.

Imran batted for two hours. He hit both Matthews and Holland for straight sixes. Sussex though did not bat with any distinction on a still placid pitch.

AUSTRALIANS: First Innings 321 (D C Boon 119, K C Wessels 56) and 275 for 6 dec (G M Ritchie 100 not out, W B Phillips 91)
SUSSEX: First Innings 262 (G D Mendis 81, D Gilbert 4 for 97)

SUSSEX: Second Innings

G D Mendis c Gilbert b Thomson	7
A M Green c Phillips b Holland	29
G E Waller b Gilbert	8
P W G Parker b O'Donnell	12
A P Wells c Ritchie b Holland	5
C M Wells l-b-w b Holland	0
Imran Khan not out	44
*J R T Barclay b Matthews	19
I A Greig b Matthews	15
†I J Gould b Holland	2
G S le Roux not out	0
Extras (l-b 7, n-b 5)	12
Total (9 wkts)	153

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-31, 3-59, 4-59, 5-59, 6-66, 7-105, 8-137, 9-146.

BOWLING: Thomson 7-1-31-1; Gilbert 7-2-15-1; O'Donnell 9-0-27-1; Holland 20-10-37-4; Matthews 11-2-36-2

Umpires: J H Harris and D G L Evans

Delay likely

The umpires, Barrie Meyer and Allan Jones, yesterday made an early inspection of Abbeydale Park, Sheffield, where Yorkshire are due to meet Sussex in a championship match, *starting* today. They found the ground wet and no play is likely before mid-afternoon at the earliest.

CYCLING

Stage given to Bombini after appeal

Vittorio Veneto, Italy (Reuter) – Emanuele Bombini, of Italy was officially placed first in the fifth stage of the Tour of Italy yesterday after judges upheld his appeal against his compatriot, Roberto Pagnin.

Pagnin, in his first season as a professional, put in a last minute surge to edge home slightly ahead but Bombini claimed he had been forced over to one side of the road by Pagnin just short of the finish line.

Pagnin denied the charge. But after watching replays of the incident, race judges upheld Bombini's appeal and placed him first and Pagnin second.

Both Pagnin and Bombini completed the 225-kilimetres course from Selva di Val Gardena in five hr 54 min 40 sec. Third was Marino Amadori, of Italy who with Pagnin and Bombini had broken away from the main pack about 20 kilometres from the finish and built up a lead of more than 30 seconds

Roberto Visentini, of Italy, retained overall leadership, ahead of Bernard Hinault, of France.

FIFTH STAGE: 1, E Bombini (It), 5hr 54min 40sec; 2, R Pagnin (It), same time; 3, Amadori (It), 2 sec behind; 4, U Freuler (Switz); 5, F Hoste (Bel); 6, O Glaus (Switz); 7, S Maleri (It); 8, S Mutter (Switz); 9, van der Velde (Neth); 10, D Phinney (US), all 6 sec behind. OVERALL STANDINGS: 1, Visentini (It), 24hr 35min 06sec; 2, Hinault (Fr), 46sec behind; 3, Lejarreta, (Sp) 1min 36sec behind; 4, S Mutter (Switz) 1min 46sec; 5, F Moser (It), 1min 51sec.

● NEUBRANDENBURG, East Germany: Lech Piasecki, of Poland, maintained his overall lead in the Prague-Warsaw-Berlin Peace race by winning the eleventh and penultimate stage yesterday. (Reuter reports).

IN BRIEF

Koreans asked to agree over marathon route

Nebiolo: proposal

The International Amateur Athletics Federation (IAAF) are trying to stage the 1987 world marathon cup with departure from North Korea and arrival in the South Korean capital of Seoul, the IAAF president, Primo Nebiolo, announced in Rome yesterday. He said the two countries have held a series of talks on sports issues, mainly involving the 1988 Olympics in Seoul.

"These talks have been inconclusive because both delegations have entered them with no real desire to reach an agreement," Nebiolo said, "Now, with our project, if they wish to overcome political barriers they will have to come out in the open with a clear reply."

FOOTBALL: Bury and Blackpool were yesterday cleared of any responsibility for the crowd trouble which erupted, during the fourth division match, at Gigg Lane on March 9. The Commission acknowledged that the trouble was caused by a minority of the visiting supporters but decided to take no action against the Blackpool club.

● A charity match between an international XI and a team of show business personalities will be played at the Odsal Rugby League ground in Bradford on Sunday (3.00) in aid of the football club fire tragedy fund.

BOWLS: The men's favourites for the Butlin's crown green grand classic – at Scarborough Arthur Murray, Vernon Lee and Terry Ashcroft all moved into the third round yesterday. In the women's event however, the former champion Freda Locke and Joan Birtwhistle were knocked out in the first round.

GOLF: Bernhard Langer, the US Masters champion, and Lee Trevino, the current United States PGA Champion, will both play in the Benson and Hedges international open at Fulford, York from August 15-18. Trevino won the tournament at Fulford in 1978.

● Cecil Bloice, of Cleckheaton, is the onlynew name in Scotland's team for the international against France at Dunbar on June 4.

TEAM: C Bloice (Cleckheaton), I Brotherston (Dumfries), G Macgregor (Glencorse), A Moir (McDonald), C Montgomerie (Royal Troon), S Stephen (Broomieknowe).

TENNIS

Lendl and Connors thwarted

Düsseldorf (Reuter) – Rain interrupted play for almost four hours yesterday at the World Team Tennis Cup. Organizers hurriedly re-arranged the schedule and decided to switch the Czechoslovakia-Sweden rubber indoors. It was due to be played last evening in the ice stadium here. Both nations will play their second rubbers today.

The United States-Spain clash resumed at the Rochus club outdoor courts. Before rain stopped play Ivan Lendl, of Czechoslovakia, won the first set of his singles 6-4, against Mats Wilander, of Sweden. Jimmy Connors, of the United States, leads Jose Higueras, of Spain, 6-2, 1-0.

● Denys Maasdorp (South Africa), the favourite to win the Prudential international tournament, moved into the last 16 yesterday. He beat Angelo Alfono, of Middlesex, 6-2, 6-3 at the Paddington sports club.

The 21 year old player from Port Elizabeth faces his toughest challenge today when he takes on Peter Moore, of Surrey.

Howard McGuinness and Stephen Botfield, the Essex pair, maintained their impressive form when they conceded only eight games between them in their two matches.

In the women's event, Ni Zhong, China's top player, is on course for a semi-final match with Kate Brasher, of Surrey, the British No 10 and defending champion, after crushing Katie Brown, of Buckinghamshire, 6-2, 6-0 in 35 minutes.

Peeters booked for classic

Ludo Peeters, the winner of the Championship of Zurich two weeks ago, was contracted yesterday to ride in next Sunday's Isle of Wight Classic, sponsored by Michelin. (John Wilcockson writes). Peeters, a Belgian, will bring with him three other members of the Dutch professional team, Kwantum.

Peeter is a former winner of the Empire Stores Marathon, the predecessor of the Isle of Wight race. Two teams from France are against the leading British professionals.

The Peugeot-Shell squad includes last year's winners, Sean Yates, and the Los Angeles Olympic silver medal winner, Dag-Otto Lauritzen, of Norway. The British rider, Paul Sherwen, heads the LA Redoute team. The overseas challenge is completed by the Lotto-Merckx team.

MEDELLIN, Colombian Classic: Leading final stage placings (All Colombian): 1, I Corredor, 57min 51sec; 2, F Rodriguez, 9sec behind; 3, L Herrera, 13sec. Overall placings: (all Colombian) 1, Rodriguez, 1hr 22min 23 sec; 2, Herrera, 4 sec behind; 3, Corredor, 38sec; 4, Cardenas, 50sec; 5, O Vargas, 3min 12 sec; 6, A Chiaba, 3.48

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RUGBY UNION

Haden is given his chance against England

From David Hands, Rugby Correspondent, Gisborne

Auckland, the national champions, have chosen six members of the current New Zealand squad in their side to play England at Eden Park on Saturday. They have also chosen Haden, the veteran lock forward who was overlooked by New Zealand when their team to play in the first international on June 1 was announced last Sunday.

Of the Auckland side, Kirwan, the young right wing, Gary Whetton at lock, and Kirk, the new scrum half, will play again against England the following week. For the stand-off half position, Alan Whetton and McDowell are replacements.

There is no place in Auckland's squad for Pokere, the All Blacks' centre, who moved from Southland, his original province, last year, but owing to injuries and the excellent form of Stanley and Sherlock, has been unable to break into the team.

So much has been made of Auckland's outstanding ability that England have been at some pains to concentrate on the first international in Christchurch as their prime target, despite the "third international" tag which has been attached to this Saturday's game. They have also the matter on hand today of beating Poverty Bay.

England's players have been coming to terms with the style of loose forward play which has proved so effective for New Zealand teams in the past. Critical onlookers have indicated that if the Englishmen do not bend low and drive into rucks and mauls, they will make little headway against the better New Zealand provincial sides.

The record on previous visits by England offers proof of this. In 1963 England won their first match against Wellington, then proceeded to lose the other four, two internationals and games against Otago and Hawkes Bay. In 1973 all three provincial matches against Taranaki, Wellington and Canterbury were lost, but the international was won.

English teams have tended to adopt an upright stance in loose play, and North Auckland had them looking distinctly edgy in the opening tour match last Saturday. Today's game against Poverty Bay offers the opportunity of putting into practice what they have been doing in training these last two days, driving hard and supporting the ball carrier.

Every England player was able to train yesterday despite some slight muscular niggles to Barley, Harrison and Goodwin.

Simpson, the Sale hooker, left training early with a slight neck strain, but rejoined his colleagues after treatment. After years of faithful service on the replacement bench, Simpson is still seeking his first cap.

AUCKLAND: L Harris; J Kirwan, J Stanley, K Sherlock, T Wright; G Fox, D Kirk; M Gray, I Abercrombie, S McDowell, A Whetton, A Haden, (captain), G Whetton, M Brooke-Cowden, G Rich, or G Young.

Bainbridge speaks out

Steve Bainbridge, the England lock, has given a warning to any opponents on the New Zealand tour who attempt to halt him with foul play. "I will retaliate against anybody who is illegally stopping me playing my game", he said.

Bainbridge, aged 27, has refused to alter an uncompromising attitude which has seen him involved in controversial assaults on players who have, in his own words, been "messing him about".

"It is marvellous to be back in the England shirt, but the only real purpose of being back is to play rugby the way I want to", he said. "So I am prepared to take action against anybody who is going beyond the accepted aggression in forward play, whatever the cost. Playing for England is so important, but playing for England in the right way is even more important."

GOLF

Waite finds the form of a true champion

By John Hennessy

Claire Waite, the holder, leads the field after the first round of the English women's amateur championship, sponsored by Max Factor. She had a round of 70, four under par, at Ferndown yesterday, one stroke fewer than Susan Moorcraft and three fewer than Caroline Pierce.

Miss Waite, of Swindon, amply justified her star billing after a start which bespoke a certain rustiness. Her five-iron off the first fairway was part shank, part slice and wholly unsatisfactory. A bunker cost her a shot there, as did a seven-iron tee shot at the short second, which sailed handsomely through the green on a wind which had changed course since the practice round of the day before.

For a time par figures seemed a distant mirage. Her trusty four-iron found a long third for a birdie and put her within single-putt range of the par four fourth. The second short hole, the fifth, again confounded her. The length of 190 yards demanded a wooden club and she snap-hooked it for a four.

Thereafter she played like the champion she is, with deviations from par only in the right direction. She achieved four more birdies, three at profitable long holes and one at the short twelfth (166 yards) where she hit an immaculate five-iron to within *18 inches*.

Susan Moorcraft, of Thornton Park, at 19 a year Miss Waite's junior, figured prominently in this event last year, joint third in the stroke-play stage and beaten in match-play by a characteristically spectacular recovery over the last five holes by Laura Davies.

Soon after that Miss Moorcraft suffered a whip-lash injury when struck from behind by the car of a fellow player, and was in no condition to do herself justice for the rest of the season.

There seemed no hint yesterday of physical shortcomings. Three putts from the edge of the fourth green extracted a penalty and a seven-iron short of the 11th green stole another, but her only other indiscretions were to allow a couple of birdie putts to escape. She reduced four of the long holes to fours and holed from 20 feet on the short 12th for a fifth birdie. Miss Pierce, a West Sussex player studying politics and history at the Houston Baptist University, has recently had the unique distinction, for a Briton, of being chosen for the All-American Collegiate second team. Her deft short game and command of fairway woods paid handsome dividends yesterday for a physical lightweight who has to concede length off the tee.

First round scores

70: C Waite.
71: S Moorcraft.
73: C Pierce.
74: P Johnson; C Caldwell; L Fairclough.
75: L Bayman.
76: S Cohen; C Hayllar; J Thornhill; M Carr; J Fernley.
77: R Watters; P Smillie; C Hall.
78: C Nelson; J Hill; J Walter; K Mitchell; L Waring; S Lowe; C Stirling.
79: A Farmery; H Dobson; M Gallagher; D Christison; T Hammond; L Fletcher, M Scobling, D Monasterio; A Ford; C Mackintosh.
80: N Holloway; H Wheeler; C Griffiths; H Kaye; L Percival; C Swallow; L Simpson; S Prosser; K Harridge; L Hackney; D Marriott.
81: L Lines.
83: M King.
84: P Riddiford; S Dennis.
85: W Saunders.

YACHTING

Gale-force criticism from Lexcen

Perth (AFP) – Ben Lexcen, who designed the boat which ended the United States' domination of the America's Cup, accused the Australian government yesterday of sabotaging attempts to keep the trophy in Australia.

Canberra was threatening Australia's defence of the Cup through its "skinflint approach", he said at the unveiling of his latest brainchild – the uncompleted Australia III.

Lexcen pointed out that the Government was taking A$1 million (£575,000) of the cash which had been budgeted for the new boat – in the form of import duties and sales tax. In comparison, the United States government gave tax concessions to their Cup contenders.

He added that the Federal government office set up in Fremantle to handle Cup planning was a waste of time. "They are shuffling bits of paper and co-ordinating things like bike paths and writing brochures," he said.

"But what use is that going to be when the shooting starts? This is war. When the cup races get under way there will be American warships out there giving heavy support and choppers buzzing about relaying weather information.

"The Americans are nice enough people, but they want their Cup back. Australia III, Australia IV (Lexcen's next project), South Australia and Kookaburra will be the targets." The United States military was turning the contest into a "star wars" event, he said.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL
(7.30 unless stated)
World Cup
Group Three
Finland v England (Helsinki, 4.0).
UEFA Cup final
Second leg
Real Madrid (3) v Videoton (0).

CRICKET
Tour match (11.0-6.30)
LORD'S: MCC v Australia.
Britannic Assurance County Championship (11.0-6.30)
CHESTERFIELD: Derbyshire v Lancashire.
CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Middlesex.
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Nottinghamshire.
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Kent.
TAUNTON: Somerset v Hampshire.
HOVE: Sussex v Gloucestershire.

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Surrey.
SHEFFIELD: Yorkshire v Surrey.
Other match (11.30-6.30)
OXFORD: Oxford University v Worcestershire.

SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Chelmsford: Essex v Surrey; Swansea: Glamorgan v Warwickshire; Bristol: Gloucestershire v Somerset; Canterbury: Kent v Yorkshire; East Lancashire CC: Lancashire v Derbyshire; Winchmore Hill CC: Middlesex v Leicestershire; Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire v Northamptonshire; Eastbourne: Sussex v Hampshire.

OTHER SPORT
GOLF: Ofwat British women's tournament (Moor Hall GC, Sutton Coldfield). Max Factor Ladies' closed amateur championships (Ferndown GC, nr Bournemouth).
TENNIS: Paddington Tournament (at Paddington LTC).
SPEEDWAY: World Championship: British semi-final (Cradley Heath, 7.45).
POLO: Aramis Trophy (Windsor, 4.0).

BOXING: Wilfredo Gomez, of Puerto Rico won the World Boxing Association (WBA) junior lightweight title in San Juan, Puerto Rico, with a 15-round, split-decision victory over Rocky Lockridge, of the United States. There were no knockdowns.

RACING: LONGER TRIP WILL SUIT CECIL'S CLASSIC CONTENDER

Lanfranco can add spice to the Derby dish

By Mandarin

Lanfranco, at one time winter favourite for the Derby, but pushed out to 40-1 after his unsuccessful sortie in the 2,000 Guineas, is napped to re-establish himself as a worthy contender for Epsom by winning today's Schroder Life Predominate Stakes at Goodwood.

Although Lanfranco was allowed to run in the Guineas after sparkling on the gallops beforehand, he had never really been regarded as the type for the Newmarket race. Henry Cecil's colt needed a mile as a two-year-old when he climaxed his first season by winning the William Hill Futurity from Daminster, himself a leading Derby fancy. So it was only to be expected that over a mile on fast ground and having his first run as a three-year-old, Lanfranco might lack the necessary speed.

This proved exactly to be the case, because Lanfranco was being scrubbed along by Steve Cauthen after three furlongs. From then on he was always struggling and unable to reach a challenging position, although his final placing of seventh behind Shadeed was certainly no disgrace.

A son of the Derby winner, Relko, Lanfranco has progressed steadily at home since then and has been supported from 40-1 down to around 20-1 for the Derby. It would take a scintillating victory today, to force Cauthen to switch from the current Epsom favourite, Slip Anchor, but Lanfranco should certainly give the champion an enviable dilemma.

Lanfranco, who finished a creditable seventh behind Shadeed in the 2,000 Guineas

Trojan Prince, a lightly raced *son of another Derby winner*, Troy, has also been supported at long odds for the Derby. He ran well on his first outing this year when second to Vertige at Ascot and undoubtedly has great potential. He also receives a valuable 8lb from Lanfranco.

However, Vertige did not advertise the form in his next race at Chester and Dick Hern's horses have still to begin firing on all cylinders.

This last remark applies even more to the horses of Guy Harwood, who runs three in today's trial – Phardante, Old Bailey, and Sabona. Harwood's team has been laid low by a virus, but even if one could be sure that this trio were at its best it would be doubtful if any of them could match the class of Lanfranco.

With the promising Koffi also appearing to lack the excellence of Cecil's hope, the main danger may come from Lord Grundy, the mount of Lester Piggott. Lord Grundy was disqualified after finishing second to Lightning Dealer at Epsom (the incident which led to Walter Swinburn's suspension for three weeks) and them ran well to chase home Slip Anchor in the Lingfield Derby trial, being eased by Piggott when it was clear he could not catch the winner.

The other highlight of today's card will be the reappearance of **Rainbow Quest** in the Clive Graham Stakes. One of the leading three-year-olds last year, when among several notable efforts he ran El Gran Señor to a length in the Irish Derby, Rainbow Quest has delighted Jeremy Tree, his trainer, in recent weeks. Following the withdrawal of Parliament, Rainbow Quest should have little more than an exercise canter on his way to tackling the Coronation Cup and other important mile and a half races.

Rainbow Quest will start at prohibitive odds and a more speculative proposition may be Staravia in the Chichester Festival Theatre Handicap. Staravia ran well when fourth to Southern Dynasty in a valuable handicap at Lingfield Park recently

Able Sailor best

With four horses balloted out, the maximum of 20 runners will go to the post for the £5,000 Massey-Ferguson Gold Cup maiden point-to-point championship at Worcester today, Brian Beel writes.

The half inch of rain that fell yesterday will not have improved the chance of the likely favourite, Folkestone winner Middleriver and preference is for Able Sailor, who has excelled in point-to-points this season.

Today's point-to-point: Cambridgeshire Harriers, Cottenham, near Cambridge (5.30).

Another Eddery in form

David Eddery, brother of the jockeys Pat and Paul, put up a lot of dead weight on Cluedo, who shouldered 9st 10lb to victory in the Grand Union Apprentices' Selling Handicap, at Wolverhampton yesterday.

The Newmarket filly's 19-year-old rider brought her with a run on the far rails to get up close home and score by three-quarters of a length from Balgownie, who had been in front from two and a half furlongs out and was wandering under pressure in the testing conditions.

Eddery, apprenticed to Robert Williams, has now ridden three winners – two in the space of four days – for he also scored on Single at Newbury on Saturday.

Richard Fox, fined £75 by the Wolverhampton stewards on Monday for riding Amber Clown out for a place, had a happier experience in the Viaduct Maiden Fillies Stakes at the Midlands course, winning on chance ride Pursue.

Parade warning

With Michael Stoute's decision to withdraw Shadeed from the 2,000 Guineas parade clearly in mind, the Jockey Club has fired a warning shot about further breaches of the rule concerning parades.

Stoute was fined £550 by the Newmarket stewards, but the Jockey Club take a dim view of his action and have asked local stewards to refer any more cases to them. They point out that they can impose fines of up to £3,000 or even withdraw a trainer's licence.

GOODWOOD (BBC)

Going: Good
Televised: BBC1 2.30, 3.0, 3.35; BBC2 4.05
Draw: 5f-6f high numbers best

2.30 TOM CAXTON HOMEBREW APPRENTICE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,553: 6f) (10 runners)
101 302-130 OUR JACK (D) (Lord McAlpine) R Smyth 9-7 ... C Rutter 5
102 1320-00 MIDNIGHT GUN (D) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-3 ... Daren Dineley 7 6
103 310-444 SI SIGNOR (F Salman) P Cole 9-1 ... M Lynch 7 8
104 002310- ARMORAD (B) (D) (H H Aga Khan) R Houghton 9-0 ... D Price 1
105 0-12 COLOR BLIND (BF) (W Du Pont III) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-12 ... S Childs 7 2
107 014-004 STEERPIKE (B) (G Sumner) P Cundell 8-8 ... G Landau 3 10
108 0-02211 PUCCINI (D) (A Donaldson) R Armstrong 8-7 (5ex) ... P Struthers 3 7
113 02043-0 AYRSHIRE LASS (Greenland Park) I Balding 7-10 ... S O'Gorman 7 4
114 00-04 LADY COOMBE (A H Warren Farms) M Blanchard 7-8 ... N Adams 9
115 130-003 TRICENCO (D) (Clubchamp Ltd) S Woodman 7-7 ... W Woods 3

1984: Canif 9-8 M Fozzard (8-1) M Ryan 11 ran.

2 Puccini, 100-30 Si Signor, 4 Color Blind, 5 Our Jack, 6 Midnight Gun, 8 Steerpike, 10 Armorad. 15 others.

FORM: OUR JOCK, unplaced last time, earlier (9-6) beaten 2 short heads when 3rd of 11 to Kiesentsky (9-7) at Newmarket (6f, £3,883, good, Apr 18), with MIDNIGHT GUN (9-11) about 4½l away 8th. ARMORAD, unplaced final start, earlier (9-0) beat Sir Wilmore (9-0) 5l at Nottingham (6f stakes, £1,880, good, Oct 2, 22 ran). STEERPIKE (8-2) about 4½l 4th of 10 to Prince Lyph (8-6) at Sandown (6f, £8837, good, Apr 27. PUCCINI (8-12) beat Perfect Timing (8-11) 1l at Sandown (5f, £3,929, good, May 15, 9 ran). LADY COOMBE (8-11) 8½l 4th of 19 Red Red Rose (8-11) at Warwick (6f stakes, £700, good to soft, Apr 29).
Selection: PUCCINI.

3.0 CLIVE GRAHAM STAKES (£11,043: 1m 2f) (6)
201 243210- RAINBOW QUEST (K Abdulla) J Tree 4-9-5 ... Pat Eddery 2
203 100-000 PRIME ASSET (B) (Mrs P Young) W O'Gorman 4-9-0 ... T Ives 4
204 32-0133 ART EDICT (W Blakey) R Stubbs 4-8-11 ... D Nicholls 1
205 01424-3 AUGUST (D) (BF) (K Abdulla) J Tree 4-8-11 ... S Raymont 3
206 400040- EXECUTIVE MAN (W Allen) D Sasse 4-8-11 ... D McKay 5
208 404230- HOLLYWOOD PARTY (C) (A Sheed) B Hills 6-8-11 ... M Hills 6

1984: Morcon 4-9-3 W Carson (7-4) W Hern 5 ran.

2-5 Rainbow Quest, 6 Art Edict, 7 Prime Assett, 8 Hollywood Party, 20 August, 25 Executive Man.

FORM: RAINBOW QUEST, unplaced final start, previously (8-7) beat Gold And Ivory (8-7) 3l at York (1m 4f, £31,707, good to firm, Aug 21, 7 ran). PRIME ASSETT (8-10) about 12½l 6th of 8 to Siesmic Wabe (8-10) at Chester (1m 5f, £18,075, good, May 9, 8 ran). ART EDICT (8-7) about 1¼l 3rd of 7 to Gold And Ivory (9-0) at Newbury (1m 5f, £4,807, good to firm, May 18). HOLLYWOOD PARTY, unplaced final start, previously (9-4) under ½l 3rd of 17 to King Of Clubs (8-12) at York (8f h'cap, £17,116, good, Aug 24).
Selection: RAINBOW QUEST.

3.35 SCHRODER LIFE PREDOMINATE STAKES (£14,095: 1m 4f) (9)
301 2111-0 LANFRANCO (C St George) H Cecil 9-0 ... S Cauthen 4
302 11110- PHARDANTE (S Karmel) G Harwood 9-0 ... T Ives 9
304 3010-00 KENTUCKY QUEST (B) (Mrs B Davis) Hannon 8-11 ... B Rouse 6
305 12-2 KOFFI (A Darboven) J Hindley 8-11 ... M Hills 8
306 01-02 LORD GRUNDY (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-11 ... L Piggott 2
307 111142- OLD BAILEY (Mrs S Buchanan) G Harwood 8-11 ... J Mercer 5
308 100- SABONA (Lady Harrison) G Harwood 8-11 ... G Starkey 3
309 3220-3 CADMIUM (Guiting Stud Ltd) P Cole 8-6 ... T Quinn 7
310 0-2 TROJAN PRINCE (BF) (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 8-6 ... W Carson 1

1984: Illum 8-6 A Murray (4-1 jt-fav) H Thomson Jones 12 ran.

2 Lanfranco, 4 Lord Grundy, 5 Trojan Prince, 6 Sabona, 10 Phardante, 12 Cadmium, Old Bailey, 14 Koffi, 33 Kentucky Quest.

FORM: LANFRANCO, unplaced 2000 guineas, last season (9-0) beat Damister (9-0) ¾l at Doncaster (8f, £41,798, good to soft, Oct 27, 10 ran). PHARDANTE unplaced final start, previously (9-4) beat Mac's Reef (9-1) 1½l at Lingfield (7f, £6,065, good, Sept 18, 10 ran). KOFFI (9-4) 1l 2nd of 4 to Henry The Lion (9-4) at Lingfield (1m 4f, £1,808 firm, May 10). LORD GRUNDY (9-0) 10l 2nd of 8 to Slip Anchor (9-0) at Lingfield (1m 4f, £30,464, good, May 11), with CADMIUM (8-9) 3l away 3rd. Old Bailey (8-11) neck 2nd of 8 o Mac's Reef (8-11) here (8f, £3,792, good, Oct 1). SABONA, unplaced behind LANFRANCO final start, earlier (8-11) beat KOFFI (9-3) ¾l at Kempton (7f, £4,799, good to firm, Sept 8, 12 ran). TROJAN PRINCE (8-9) 2l 2nd of 7 Vertige (9-0) at Ascot (1m 2f, £8,617, good, May 1).
Selection: PHARDANTE

4.05 CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE HANDICAP (£3,277: 1m 2f) (12)
401 13020-4 BARE ESSENCE (Mrs I Shuaib) J Dunlop 4-9-11 ... W Carson 2
403 1040-00 BOBBY DAZZLER (R Morley) D Laing 4-9-2 ... Pat Eddery 11
405 00-21 RAMADI DAWN (D) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Ciechanowski 4-8-6 (5ex) ... R Street 6
406 1000-00 VICEROY LAD (B) (F Broom) R Hannon 4-8-5 ... L Piggott 1
407 2000-00 TALK OF GLORY (E Gadsden) M Blanshard 4-8-4 ... J Reid 9
408 000-000 ANY BUSINESS (O Zawawi) W Musson 4-8-4 ... - 10
409 00433-0 BIG DEAL (CD) (Mrs G Harwood) G Harwood 10-8-3 ... P Mose 7 3
412 013-001 FLYHOME (C Southgate) P Cundell 4-8-0 ... P Cook 5
413 01/00-4 STARAVIA (D) (P Bowditch) D Cottrell 5-7-12 ... N Carlisle 8
414 100-010 REDDEN (D) (A Bateson) A Pitt 7-7-11 ... C Rutter 5 8
416 000-223 HODNET (L Tregaskes) Mrs N Smith 4-7-7 ... D Brown 7 7
418 314130- PULSATE (Mrs R Baker) C Benstead 4-7-7 ... - 12

1984: Rangefinder 4-9-2 S Cauthen (13-2) B Hills 15 ran.

11-4 Ramadi Dawn, 4 Bare Essence, 9-2 Flyhome, 11-2 Redden, 6 Hodnet, 8 Staravia, 10 Pulsate. 12 Big Pale. 16 others.

FORM: BARE ESSENCE 4th behind Maiman latest: last season (9-11) beat Well Covered (8-11 at York (9f, £11,725, good to firm, June 16, 11 ran). RAMADI DAWN (9-7) beat Berouscent (8-5) 3l at Redcar (1m 2f, £1,144, good to firm, May 7, 16 ran) VICEROY LAD behind latest: last season (9-4) beat First Pleasure (8-9) a head at Epsom (8f 110 yds, £2, 6 ran). TALK OF GLORY 7th behind Go Bananas latest: last season (8-0) 2½l 2nd to Pulsate (8-4) at Newmarket (8f, £3,501, good to firm, Aug 25, 9 ran). ANY BUSINESS behind latest: last season (9-7) 1½l 2nd to Plant (8-3) at Sandown (8f, £2,998, good to firm, June 18, 4 ran). BIG PAL caught 3l out behind Dholar latest: last season (9-3) 13½l 3rd to Redden (7-12). STARAVIA (9-0) 1¼l 4th to Southern Dynasty (8-2) at Lingfield (1m 2f, £6824, good, May 11, 7 ran).
SELECTION: BARE ESSENCE.

Goodwood selections

By Mandarin
2.30 Si Signor. 3.0 Rainbow Quest. 3.35 LANFRANCO (nap). 4.5 Staravia. 4.40 Asian Cup. 5.10 New Edition.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 Puccini. 3.0 Prime Asset. 3.35 Lanfranco. 4.5 Any Business. 4.40 Dancing Zeta. 5.10 New Edition.

4.40 TEGLEAZE MAIDEN STAKES (£1,681: 5f) (6)
502 ASIAN CUP (A Salman) G Harwood 9-0 ... G Starkey 3
504 DANZING ZETA (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 9-0 ... Pat Eddery 6
507 HAMELIN (Mrs R Baugh) H Candy 9-0 ... J Matthias 1
509 MASHHUR (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 9-0 ... J Mercer 2
512 SPROWSTON BOY (G Whiting) P Kelleway 9-0 ... Gay Kelleway 5 4
513 VAIGLIAN (Mrs D Shirley) J Bethell 9-0 ... W Carson 5

1984: Young Runaway 9-0 G Starkey (7-2) G Harwood 8 ran.

6-4 Asian Cup, 11-4 Mashhur, 7-2 Dancing Zeta, 6 Hamelin, 10 Sprowston Boy, 16 Vaiglian.

5.10 E B F CUCUMBER STAKES (£2,637: 6f) (16)
601 0231 DANCING FILLE (C Linney) R J Williams 9-1 ... R Cochrane 1
602 01 NEW EDITION (R McAulay) B Hanbury 9-1 ... L Piggott 9
605 30 ABSOLUTELY BONKERS (B) (BF) (P Wedgwood) W Jarvis 8-8 ... T Ives 11
607 CHALK STREAM (Lord Porchester) I Balding 8-8 ... Pat Eddery 8
608 CURIGA (Lord H de Walden) P Walwyn 8-8 ... J Mercer 2
611 2330 HOTBEE (A Speake) J Bridger 8-8 ... R Guest 10
613 LYDIA LANGUISH (Mrs M Davis) R Hannon 8-8 ... R Wernham 6
614 MAFIOSA (Baroness H Thyssen) D Arbuthnot 8-8 ... P Cook 7
617 02 SUMMERHILL SPRUCE (Summerhill Stud Ltd) Miss A Sinclair 8-8 ... A McGlone 3
619 TANOUMA (Prince Faisal) J Dunlop 8-8 ... W Carson 5
620 THE LADY GRANIA (Mrs G Samuelson) R Hannon 8-8 ... B Rouse 4

1984: (5f) Single Love 8-8 L Piggott (9-4) B Hanbury 6 ran.

13-8 New Edition, 4 Dancing Fille, 5 Chalk Stream, 7 Summerhill Spruce, 8 Curiga, 10 Tanouma, Hotbee, 12 Absolutely Bonkers. 16 others.

FORM: DANCING FILLE (8-11) beat SUMMERHILL SPRUCE (8-11) ½l at Kempton (5f, £2,420, firm, May 4, 7 ran) with HOTBEE (8-11) a further 1½l back in 3rd. NEW EDITION (8-11) beat Venez Trader (8-11) 2½l at York (5f, £3,505, good, May 14, 4 ran). ABSOLUTELY BONKERS (8-11) 8l 6th to Jenny Kaye (8-11) at Ripon (5f, £1,720, good, April 27, 23 ran).
Selection: SUMMERHILL SPRUCE.

RIPON

Going: good
Draw advantage: 5f-6f low numbers best

6.45 E B F ST MARYGATE STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £1,966: 5f) (6 runners)
2 021 BRIDESMAID (D) (B) B Hills 8-13 ... B Thomson 5
4 1 GOSSIPER (D) M Jarvis 8-13 ... B Raymond 4
5 21 PALACE VIEW (D) N Tinkler 8-13 ... P Robinson 1
12 0 GOLDEN GUILDER M W Easterby 8-8 ... M Hindley 5 3
15 0 MENEGHINI ROSE W W Easterby 8-8 ... D Nicholls 2
19 0 RAPID STAR G Harman 8-8 ... - 6

1984: Sorayah 8-13 R Hills (7-2) H Thomson Jones 10 ran.

7-4 Palace View, 9-4 Bridesmaid, 11-4 Gossiper, 10 Golden Guilder, 16 Meneghini Rose, 20 others.

Ripon selections

By Mandarin
6.45 Gossiper. 7.10 Dryfesdale. 7.35 Hombre. 8.5 Sweet Sonja. 8.35 Handclap. 9.5 Heraldiste.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.45 Gossiper. 7.35 Bourbon Boy. 8.5 Sweet Sonja. 8.35 Equipped For Duty. 9.5 Heraldiste.

7.10 WESTGATE SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £1,373: 5f) (13)
2 0 PLANTER (B) T Fairhurst 8-11 ... C Coates 5 1
3 0 TOWER WATCH S Norton 8-11 ... J Lowe 12
4 CALAMONDIN R Hollinshead 8-8 ... S Perks 8
6 DERRYTOP M H Easterby 8-8 ... M Birch 11
7 3 DOLLY DARE T Barron 8-8 ... S Webster 7
8 0 DRYFESDALE J Berry 8-8 ... K Darley 5
9 0000 GLENEARN M W Easterby 8-8 ... K Hodgson 9
10 00 GUNNER GO Ron Thompson 8-8 ... M Wood 13
11 2 GUTSY Hbt Jones 8-8 ... R Hills 10
14 04 MISS DEE PEE M W Easterby 8-8 ... M Hindley 5 4
18 003 SPINKHILL M Camacho 8-8 ... N Connorton 3
19 UBEDAWESBY G Moore 8-8 ... A Crook 6
21 00 WOW WOW WOW N Tinkler 8-8 ... P Robinson 2

1984: Major's Review 8-11 K Hodgson (11-4) E Weymes 13 ran.

2 Gutsy, 7-2 Spinkhill, 9-2 Dolly Dare, 5 Miss Dee Pee, 8 Dryfesdale, 12 others.

7.35 ALLHOLLOWGATE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,842: 1m 4f) (14)
2 1410 HUNTERS FEN (D) R Hollinshead 9-7 ... S Perks 1
4 00-0 BOURBON BOY M Stoute 9-5 ... P Robinson 5
9 00-40 WITHY BANK M H Easterby 8-10 ... M Birch 11
10 0-140 HOMBRE C Thornton 8-9 ... J Bleasdale 9
11 000-0 FOR A LARK J Winter 8-9 ... B Raymond 10
12 000-0 SOUND DIFFUSION R Whitaker 8-9 ... J Brown 5 13
14 0-000 JUNIPER DAZE P Rohan 8-7 ... K Hodgson 12
15 -0021 DIPYN BACH M Camacho 9-1 (8 ex) ... N Connorton 4
16 0-200 PANIOLO J Harris 8-1 ... A Proud 6
17 000-0 ASHBOCKING K Stone 8-0 ... J Lowe 14
18 0000 CUSHY P Rohan 7-11 ... J Quinn 7 3
19 00-00 MISS MORLEY J Rowlands 7-11 ... G Carter 5 7
20 00-00 ROYAL HARLEQUIN P Calver 7-10 ... M Fry 2
21 00-00 TIN RIBS K Stone 7-7 ... - 8

1984: Bishop's Ring 9-11 W Swinburn (9-2) M Stoute 15 ran.

5-2 Bourbon Boy, 7-2 Dipyn Bach, 9-2 Hunters Fen, 6 Hombre, 8 Withy Bank, 10 Paniolo, 12 For A Lark, 14 Juniper Daze, 16 others.

8.5 SKELLGATE HANDICAP (£3,262: 6f) (16)
1 3-000 CHRISTMAS COTTAGE A Robson 7-9-11 ... J Bleasdale 3
2 000-0 KAREN'S STAR (CD) D Chapman 8-9-9 ... S P Griffiths 5 5
3 /0-00 ALWAYS NATIVE D Chapman 4-9-7 ... G P Kelly 16
4 30-00 BRI-EDEN J Berry 11-9-6 ... J Carroll 7 4
5 413-0 OVER THE RAINBOW (D) W Guest 8-9-4 ... A Bond 11
6 2320 BATONI (C,D) M H Easterby 5-9-4 ... M Birch 2
7 0030- MELAURA BELLE (D) T Barron 4-9-1 ... S Webster 6
9 1010 CHAPLINS CLUB (CD) D Chapman 5-8-11 ... D Nicholls 10
10 000-3 SWEET SONJA (D) G Huffer 4-8-10 ... G Carter 5 9
11 0-400 CAMBRIDGE LODGE (D) K Stone 4-8-8 ... - 1
12 00-00 GOOD 'N SHARP G Calvert 4-8-6 ... N Connorton 13
15 2100- CLOTILDA (D) P Calver 3-8-4 ... M Fry 15
17 1400- TIP THE BALANCE (D) G Fletcher 5-7-11 ... A Mackay 8
18 000-0 COSTOCK BUNNY L Lightbrown 4-7-7 ... D Fowler-Wright 7 7
20 0-300 TRIAD TREBLE (D) Hbt Jones 4-7-7 ... K Darley 14
21 0-030 SHAMROCK NAIL G Gaines 5-7-7 ... M L Thomas 12

1984: Pentland Javelin 4-8-5 S Perks (7-1) R Hollinshead 11 ran.

4 Sweet Sonja, 5 Batoni, 11-2 Over The Rainbow, 7 Always Native, 8 Bri-Eden, Karens Star, 10 Christmas Cottage, Chaplins Club.

8.35 KIRKGATE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,110: 1m) (20)
2 0110- EVER SO Mrs J Reavey 9-7 ... N Day 15
6 440-4 EQUIPPED FOR DUTY (BF) J Winter 9-2 ... A Mackay 5
8 200-4 GENERAL TRANT G Calvert 8-13 ... A Proud 12
9 10-10 LUCKSIN (D) Ron Thompson 8-12 ... D Nicholls 17
10 0-000 ALE WATER J Berry 8-12 ... K Darley 8
11 402-0 POKEY M W Easterby 8-11 ... M Hindley 5 16
12 04-4 HANDCLAP J W Watts 8-11 ... N Connorton 10
13 000-0 SHERWOOD FOREST M Jarvis 8-10 ... B Raymond 18
14 00-0 CROYLAND PRIDE M Tompkins 8-10 ... G Duffield 4
18 2-000 SUNDOWN SKY R Whitaker 8-7 ... J Brown 5 1
20 000-3 BLUFF COVE S Mellor 8-7 ... M Wigham 6
21 0-000 QUALITAIRESS K Stone 8-6 ... - 3
22 00-40 GLENMORE CAPTAIN (B) D Dale 8-6 ... M L Thomas 13
23 3000- MARSOOM N Callaghan 8-6 ... B Thomson 19
25 0040- HARDNOCKIN J FitzGerald 8-5 ... - 20
26 400-0 NADRON M Camacho 8-4 ... - 9
27 000-0 RAYONE M H Easterby 8-4 ... M Birch 14
30 000-0 LOCH LADDIE R Hollinshead 8-1 ... W Ryan 7
31 0000- CONTINENTAL HOUSE M H Easterby 8-1 ... K Hodgson 2
32 00-00 TAYLORS RENOVATION (C) D Leslie 8-0 ... M Rimmer 11

1984: First Pleasure 7-9 R Lines (25-1) W Hastings-Bass 19 ran.

4 Equipped For Duty, 5 General Trant, 6 Bluff Cove, 7 Handclap, 8 Lucksin, Ever So, 10 Pokey, 12 Sherwood Forest, Ale Water, 14 Glenmore Captain, 16 others.

9.5 STONEBRIDGEGATE STAKES (£1,738: 1m 1f) (16)
4 1303- RAPID GUNNER J Edwards 4-9-10 ... - 7
5 1441- PIKE'S PEAK Miss S Hall 4-9-7 ... K Hodgson 6
7 2310- GOLDEN TRIANGLE P Makin 4-9-5 ... B Raymond 10
8 00/0 CITRUS D McCain 8-8-6 ... D Grey 14
9 0000- EMPIRIC W C Watts 4-8-6 ... C Coates 11
10 00/ GEORGE WILLIAM P Felgate 4-8-6 ... D Nicholls 9
13 0000 REMEMBRANCE Mrs C Lloyd-Jones 4-8-6 ... - 4
14 /000- RULER ON A LARK J Edwards 5-8-6 ... M Rimmer 2
15 0002- STANITAS P Felgate 4-8-6 ... G Duffield 16
16 34/ THATCHINGLY K Stone 4-8-6 ... - 15
17 000/ WORLING DUKE G Gaines 5-8-6 ... G Carter 5 8
18 10-3 HARALDISTE H Cecil 3-8-5 ... Paul Eddery 5
21 JUST WHY K Cunningham-Brown 4-8-3 ... - 3
22 2000- MIAMI DOLPHIN A Watson 5-8-3 ... M Wigham 13
27 RIBIBIBI M Camacho 3-7-7 ... J Lowe 1
28 40 SILLITOE E Incisa 3-7-7 ... - 12

1984: Northern Tempest 3-8-0 W Swinburn (1-4 fav) M Stoute 12 ran.

1-5 Heraldiste, 8 Pike's Peak, 12 Rapid Gunner, 16 Ruler On A Lark, Golden Triangle, 20 others.

Plumpton results

Going: firm
2.0 (2m hdle) 1, Bato (R Goldstein, 11-8 fav); 2, Himorre (7-1); 3, No Hack (8-1). Nk, ½l. 10 ran. D Grissell. TOTE: £3.10; £1.20, £3.00, £2.80. DF: £5.00. CSF: £12.42.
2.30 (2m 4f) 1, The Fruit (Mrs N Ledger, 11-4); 2, Wily Yeoman (6-4 fav); 3, Ballima (9-4). 10l, 10l. 6 ran. Nr: Admiral Granville. R Ledger. TOTE: £4.30; £2.20, £1.70, £1.10. DF: £4.00. CSF: £6.97.
3.0 (3m 1f ch) 1, Round The Twist (P Double, evens fav); 3, Buck Royale (8-1). 15l, dist. 5 ran. D Oughton. TOTE: £2.20; £1.20, £2.10. DF: £2.80. CSF: £7.16.
3.30 (2m hdle) 1, Bettyknowes (H Davies, 2-1 fav); 2, The Thunderer (11-2); 3, Sir Eamon (4-1). ½l, 15l. 12 ran. NR: Loan Charge. R Akehurst. TOTE: £3.00; £1.20, £1.40, £2.20. DF: £4.00. CSF: £14.73. Tricast: £40.67.
4.00 (2m ch) 1, Ressel (R Dunwoody, 5-4 fav); 2 Neoteric (11-4). 15l. 5 ran. S Woodman. TOTE: £2.00; £1.40, £2.00. DF: £3.70. CSF: £4.99. Only two finished.
4.30 (2m hdle) 1, Bluecher (R Goldstein, 1-2 fav). 2, Coldharbour Lad (15-2); 3, Hautes Terres (12-1). 5l, ½l. 7 ran. D Grissell. TOTE: £1.40; £1.10, £2.30. DF: £3.10. CSF: £5.26.
Placepot: £1.25.

Newton Abbot

2.0 (2m 5f ch) 1, Fire Drill (P Richards, 11-1); 2, Maggie Dee (50-1); 3, Ballycarn (4-1 Cnoc Na Cuille (11-4 fav). 3l, sh. hd. 7 ran. K Bishop. TOTE: £12.30; £4.50, £4.30. DF: £83.50. CSF: £209.55.
2.30 (2m 150yds ch) 1, Sportswords (B de Haan, 5-1); 2, Celtic Hamlet (11-8 fav); 3, Johnrums (15-1). ¾l, 15l. 14 ran. J King. TOTE: £6.50, £2.20, £1.60, £2.10. DF: £6.40. CSF: £12.27.
3.0 (2m hdle) 1, Harvest Hymn (Mr P Schofield, (4-1); 2, Celtic Crackle (3-1); 3, Pridden Jimmy (12-1). Air Flight (11-4 fav) 3l, 5l. 14 ran. NR: Rudansca. O Carter. TOTE: £7.80; £1.70, £1.90, £2.60. DF: £15.10. CSF: £17.72.
3.30 (2m 150yd hdle) 1, December Dawn (M Pitman, 14-1); 2, Song Boy (10-1); 3, Magic Mouse (5-2 fav). 3l, 1l. 15 ran. NR: Red Ambion, Star of Salford, Lydacott Moon. E Retter. TOTE: £18.40; £4.40, £2.10, £3.00. DF: £371.50. CSF: £167.20. Tricast: £446.88. No bid.
4.0 (3m 2f 100yd ch) 1, Cobley Express (R Millman, 25-1); 2, Querrin (10-1); 3, Cross (7-4 fav). 8l, ½l. 12 ran. NR: Haybale. B B Isaac. TOTE: £35.10; £6.30, £3.20, £1.50. DF: £224.40. CSF: £232.53. Tricast: £612.09.
4.30 (2m 150yd hdle) 1, Magic Mink (N Coleman, 13-2); 2, Kassak (9-4); 3, Baluchi (6-4 fav). 6l, 12l. 7 ran. R Holder. TOTE: £6.80; £4.50, £1.50. DF: £10.80. CSF: £22.74.
Placepot: £751.45.

Course specialists

RIPON
TRAINERS: J FitzGerald, 10 winners from 39 runners, 25.6%; G Huffer, 6 from 28, 21.4%; J Berry, 8 from 45, 17.8%.
JOCKEYS: R Hills, 5 winners from 30 rides, 16.7%; G Duffield, 12 from 75, 16.0%.

GOODWOOD
TRAINERS: H Cecil 22, winners from 70 runners, 31.4%; W Hern, 33 from 124, 26.6%; J Tree, 11 from 45, 24.4%.
JOCKEYS: L Piggott, 48 winners from 226 rides, 21.2%; G Starkey, 30 from 170, 17.6%; Pat Eddery, 37 from 220, 16.8%.

Blinkered first time

GOODWOOD: 2.30 Armorad, Steerpike. 5.10 Absolutely Bonkers. RIPON: 7.10 Planter. 8.35 Glenmore Captain.

● Ascot's group three Diadem Stakes is to be sponsored for the first time this season. Trusthouse Forte are backing the race, which will have an increased value of £25,000 added. The race is being transferred from the Thursday of the Ascot meeting to the Saturday (September 28).

WORCESTER

Going: Good to Firm

2.30 NORTON NOVICE SELLING HURDLE (£661: 2m) (20 runners)
4 001 Orville's Song (B) 4-11-0 ... C Smith
5 060 Bellamusa 5-10-12 ... R Hyett
7 0p0 Church Hall (B) 6-10-12 ... J D Doyle 4
8 pp Concho County 5-10-12 ... P Carvill
13 000 Harry Slippers (B) 8-10-12 ... Mr L Lay 7
14 103 Hawaian Heir (B) 6-10-12 ... S J O'Neill
19 04-p Midnight Rocket 9-10-12 ... C Jones
20 400 My Friend 6-10-12 ... R Dunwoody
21 40,0 Ragtime 6-10-12 ... -
22 000 Rusty Boy 6-10-12 ... J Brown 7
23 030 Solar Light (B) 5-10-12 ... -
24 0pp The Somac (B) 8-10-12 ... -
25 00p Western Counties 6-10-12 ... K Mooney
29 Jay Wood 10-10-7 ... P Leach
34 p00 Rockfillee 5-10-7 ... G Jones
35 00,0 Sock Jinks 6-10-7 ... S Earle 4
38 Tudor Beam 4-10-7 ... T Wall
41 p00 Western Kelly 8-10-7 ... E Murphy 7
42 00 Zaraline 7-10-7 ... J Burke
46 00p Remainder Girl 4-10-2 ... A O'Hagan

7-4 Orville's Song, 11-4 Hawaian Heir, 4 The Somac, 8 Solar Light, 10 Jay Wood, 12 Western Counties.

3.0 MORRIS, WARGENT & WILDE HANDICAP CHASE (£1,702: 2m) (7)
1 312 Lutav 7-11-10 ... P Scudamore
3 0-02 Corby Glen 13-11-3 ... S Morshead
4 222 Slieve Bracken (B) 9-10-6 ... S J O'Neill
5 212 Fair Babu 11-10-6 ... Mr L Kirkby
11 334 Crowning Moment 10-10-0 ... K Mooney
13 00p The Surveyor 9-10-0 ... D Carcary 7
15 000 Roy's House 5-10-0 ... J D Doyle 4

9-4 Slieve Bracken, 5-2 Lutav, 7-2 Fair Babu, 9-2 Corby Glen, 8 Crowning Moment.

3.30 MASSEY-FERGUSON GOLD CUP HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £4,077: 3m) (20)
1 144 Just a Ghost 9-12-7 ... Miss S French
2 22-1 Middleriver 8-12-7 ... D Turner
4 3-32 Campello Boy 10-12-0 ... R Greenaway
5 0-p4 Captain Kelly 7-12-0 ... T Thomson Jones
6 Corvedale Crofton 7-12-0 ... G Godsall
7 00- Croftdale 8-12-0 ... M Arthers
8 Double Decision 8-12-0 ... Miss S Maloney
13 440 Master Beau 10-12-0 ... Miss S Lawrence
14 fp0- Mossel Bed 8-12-0 ... Miss J Hodge
15 Proper Moment 7-12-0 ... Miss S Baker
16 200- Qualifications (B) 10-12-0 ... C Llewellyn
17 uu-f Southside Harrier 6-12-0 ... J Haddow
18 Squire Ellie 8-12-0 ... A West
19 p/op- Stories Gold 7-12-0 ... Mrs West
20 20f/ Waters Edge 12-12-0 ... K Vincent
21 00/p- Wonder Dream 6-12-0 ... J Thomas
23 0 Lasses Nightshade 10-11-9 ... Mrs J Dunn
24 Savage Sally 7-11-9 ... Mrs T Rouse
25 Suntan Susie 13-11-0 ... F Vardy
26 244 Able Sailor 5-11-7 ... R Morris

15-8 Middleriver, 7-2 Master Beau, 9-2 Able Sailor, 6 Campello Boy, 8 Just A Ghost, 10 Stories Gold.

4.0 MASSEY-FERGUSON NOVICE CHASE (mares: £1,416: 2m 4f) (12)
2 1fa Peggy 9-11-8 ... P Richards
3 412 Rostra 6-11-8 ... Mr M Armytage 7
5 320 Balas 10-11-3 ... -
7 0ff Curtain Run 7-11-3 ... A Sharpe
8 0p0 Fly Gale 6-11-3 ... G Mernagh
9 1p0 Just Pam 7-11-3 ... [illegible]
10 Lilac Wood 9-11-3 ... Mr J Smith 4
12 p04 Milanessa 6-11-3 ... R Dunwoody
13 Mrs McEnery 5-11-3 ... A Carroll
14 0fp Red Line 9-11-3 ... P Carvill
18 Windsor Cottage 6-11-3 ... Mr T Rooney 7
19 0 Ruby Tiara 5-10-10 ... Mr L Kirkby 7

6-4 Rostra, 11-4 Peggy, 9-2 Balas, 11-2 Milanessa, 8 Just Pam

4.30 AVON VALLEY TRACTORS NOVICE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,162: 2m) (14)
1 120 Mr Dan 8-11-10 ... M Pitman 4
4 313 The End 5-11-1 ... M Bastard
5 000 Lector (B) 4-10-13 ... C Brown
7 213 Tin Boy 6-10-12 ... S J O'Neill
12 103 Crisp And Keen 7-10-9 ... W Morris
14 001 Flaming Pearl 4-10-9 (7 ex) ... P Leach
15 030 Penny Venus 8-10-7 ... S Morshead
16 001 Dienaa's Trove 4-10-7 (7 ex) ... R Earnshaw
17 000 Track Rhythm 5-10-4 ... M Jenkins 7
21 003 Nonstop 6-10-0 ... J D Davies 7
28 0-00 Barron Julius 5-10-0 ... Dale McKeown 7
29 p04 Canterbury Bells 5-10-0 ... B Reilly
31 000 Fieldton 5-10-0 ... Miss J Verrette 7
36 0 Claredel 10-10-0 ... P Finch 7

3 Flaming Pearl, 100-30 Mr Dan, 5 Lector, 13-2 The End, 8 Tin Boy, 9 Dienaa's Trove.

5.00 HAROLD HOPKINS MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,279: 3m) (13)
1 331 Coolmoore Knitwear 9-12-1 (5 ex) ... K Burke 7
3 p21 Ankus 9-11-2 (5 ex) ... H Davies
4 002 Perhaps Lucky 8-11-0 ... R Arnott 4
9 002 Morvern (B) 6-10-8 ... -
11 000 Tempion 11-10-7 ... P Double
12 332 Broken Flight 8-10-6 ... J [illegible]
13 302 Lor Moss 5-10-6 ... C Smith
14 030 Thamesd Prince 10-10-0 ... R Dunwoody
19 040 Rheinford 9-10-0 ... P Murphy
24 030 Moss Kid 6-10-0 ... S J O'Neill
26 p-00 Wat Bob (B) 7-10-0 ... P Richards
29 pr0 Portaboggy 10-10-0 ... P Scudamore
34 000 Roche Girl 7-10-0 ... -

3 Ankus, 4 Perhaps Lucky, 5 Coolmoore Knitwear, 6 Morvern, 8 Lor Moss, 10 Broken Flight.

WORCESTER SELECTIONS (By Mandarin) 2.30 Hawaian Heir. 3.0 Slieve Bracken. 3.30 Middleriver. 4.0 Rostra. 4.30 Tin Boy. 5.0 Lor Moss.

PERTH

Going: good to firm

2.15 DUNKELD NOVICE HURDLE (£763: 2m) (18 runners)
6 0 Lothian Emperor 5-11-1 ... J J O'Neill
7 p00 Mickey Climbers 7-11-1 ... R Gray
8 p Most Concerned 5-11-1 ... J Hansen
9 0 Narrow And Short 5-11-1 ... B Storey
12 0-02 Potassium 9-11-1 ... D McCaskill
16 000 Scottish Slumber 5-11-1 ... D Coakley 4
17 0p/p- Sparkling Lord 7-11-1 ... P A Farrell 7
20 0 The Crignant 6-11-1 ... P Barton
22 002 Walton Heath 5-11-1 ... Mr M Thompson 7
23 3a2 Balmatt 4-10-10 ... K Doolan 4
24 204 Billlov 4-10-10 ... C Grant
26 000 Deasanas 4-10-10 ... -
28 003 Grange of Glory 4-10-10 ... A Brown
29 Kambaldas Boy 4-10-10 ... A Stringer
30 000 Moonlighting 5-10-10 ... T G Dun
32 000 Tempy Lakes 4-10-10 ... C Hawkins
36 230 Lady Locket 4-10-5 ... A Charlton 7
37 040 Return-To-Jaima 4-10-5 ... -

7-2 Grange Of Glory, 4 Lady Locket, 5 Billlov, 6 Balmatt, 8 Walton Hall, 10 Moonlighting.

2.45 GLENEAGLES HANDICAP CHASE (£964: 2m) (9)
1 003 Birsby 11-11-10 ... P A Farrell 7
2 10x Super Solo 9-11-5 ... S Charlton
3 103 Ring-Lou (B) 10-10-13 ... P Barton
4 a12 Secondary Image 9-10-12 ... M Myers
5 3-f0 Oxenham 10-10-11 ... P Craggs
6 230 Master Piper 9-10-10 ... J J O'Neill
8 443 Old Head 13-10-5 ... D Nolan
10 002 Thelmas Secret 8-10-0 ... C Grant
11 fp-p Never A Back 13-10-0 ... J Goulding

11-4 Secondary Image, 3 Ring-Lou, 5 Super Solo, 7 Old Head, 8 Birsby, 10 Oxenham.

3.15 PERTH HUNT BALNAKEILLY HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs £836: 3m) (7)
2 113 Youghal 9-12-8 ... J Greenall 7
3 001 Bobjob 12-12-5 ... T Brockbank 7
4 020 Cheerie Chief 9-12-5 ... K Anderson 7
5 030 Carpenter's Silk 9-12-0 ... J Grossick 7
6 8-uu Its A Capper 7-12-0 ... S Swiers 7
7 04-2 Mustapha (B) 7-12-0 ... T Reed 4
9 0u/a Wardseiff 8-12-0 ... L Hudson

Evens Youghal, 4 Bobjob, 6 Cheerie Chief, 8 Carpenters Silk, 12 Mustapha, 16 Its A Capper

3.45 DUNBLANE NOVICE CHASE (£805: 2m) (6)
2 021 Park Tower 7-11-7 ... D Nolan
4 p41 Menceita (B) 9-11-2 ... A Stringer
6 313 Burglars Walk 5-11-1 ... C Grant
7 b0u Another Flame 8-11-0 ... M Magtree 4
14 000 Trafalgar Bill 8-11-0 ... B Storey
15 p00 Wishbone Whisper 5-10-8 ... -

6-4 Burglars Walk, 5-2 Menceita, 5 Park Tower, 6 Trafalgar Bill, 8 Another Flame, 16 Wishbone Whisper

4.15 SPRINGBANK HANDICAP HURDLE (£703: 2m 4f) (6)
3 341 Secret Finale 6-11-3 ... D Dutton
7 003 Little Harry (B) 6-10-4 ... C Grant
8 023 Unguarded 7-10-0 ... B Storey
13 042 Laugh-A-Minute 6-10-0 ... P A Farrell 7
15 034 Raby 6-10-0 ... J K Kinane
16 300 Copy Writer (B) 7-10-0 ... V McCaskill

6-2 Little Harry, 3 Secret Finale, 9-2 Unguarded, 5 Raby, 8 Laugh-A-Minute, 10 Copy Writer.

4.45 BRIDGE OF EARN HANDICAP CHASE (£1,215: 3m) (6)
1 031 Good Crack 8-12-0 ... G Bradley
3 1u1 Castle Warden 8-11-9 ... P Barton
5 111 Unscrupulous Judge 8-10-11 (4 ex) ... C Grant
6 311 Worthy Heiress 10-10-8 ... T G Dun
7 000 Vendevar 10-10-0 ... P A Farrell 7
11 024 Hazy Glen 7-10-0 ... J J O'Neill

11-8 Castle Warden, 9-4 Worthy Heiress, 5 Good Crack, 7 Unscrupulous Judge, 10 Hazy Glen, 12 Vendevar.

PERTH SELECTIONS (By Mandarin): 2.15 Potassium. 2.45 Secondary Image. 3.15 Bobjob. 3.45 Burglars Walk. 4.15 Raby. 4.45 Castle Warden.

NEWTON ABBOT

GOING: firm

6.00 INGSDON SELLING HANDICAP CHASE (£838: 2m 150yd) (14 runners)
2 ppr Henry Ford 9-11-7 ... R Dunwoody
5 300 Shotang 10-11-5 ... M Hammond
6 040 Mood Music 13-11-4 ... S Earle 4
7 p00 Amramsky 10-11-3 ... -
8 314 Lloyd Ardua 12-11-3 ... C Mann
9 00p Carbury's Hit 10-10-13 ... -
10 p02 No Further 10-10-10 ... M Bowlby 7
11 00 Boyne Hill 9-10-10 ... -
12 000 San Benito (B) 8-10-7 ... A Jones 4
13 p0s Farranastig 12-10-6 ... N Coleman 4
15 u-40 Waltzer 14-10-1 ... M Ayliffe
16 000 Only A Fool 8-10-1 ... R Millman
17 0pp Last Valley 8-10-1 ... C Gray
18 00p Sauselito (B) 7-10-1 ... B Powell

11-4 Shotang, 3 No Further, 5 Amramsky, 13-2 Lloyd Ardua, 9 Boyne Hill, 10 Mood Music.

6.30 ROYAL CASTLE HOTEL DARTMOUTH MAIDEN HURDLE (£1,277: 2m 150yd) (16)
1 00 Action Day 5-11-0 ... Mr C Llewellyn 7
2 0 Camdore Bay 5-11-0 ... -
4 r00 Crowmae 7-11-0 ... B Powell
9 0/p0 Malageet 6-11-0 ... Mr S Sherwood
14 p00 Rugged Spirit 5-11-0 ... J Frost
16 0 Chevillon 5-10-9 ... Miss T Turner 7
17 0/p0 Chilly Miss 8-10-9 ... Miss M Ayliffe
22 p04 Penny's Colours 5-10-9 ... -
23 0-0f Purston Balgelia 9-10-9 ... A Jones 4
24 Salle Finish 5-10-9 ... S Earle 4
28 p02 Archie's Nephew 4-10-8 ... P Dever
29 f Cornish Flight 4-10-8 ... B Wright
30 p0 Combe Master 4-10-8 ... S Smith Eccles
35 p0 Sandyla (B) 4-10-8 ... -
36 p00 Therapeutic 4-10-8 ... -
38 402 I Appeal 4-10-3 ... S McNeill

Evens Archie's Nephew, 4 Penny's Colours, 5 Combe Master, 8 I Appeal, 10 Action Day, 12 Camdore Bay.

7.0 TOTNES OPEN HUNTER CHASE (amateurs: £397: 3m 2f 100yd) (7)
1 332 Sidbury Hill 9-12-7 ... A J Wilson
2 414 Thomascourt 7-12-7 ... Miss V Williams 7
3 004- Fishing Song 9-12-0 ... P Scholfield 7
4 4p-p Go-Away Herald 12-12-0 ... Miss G Armytage 7
5 Hopeful Lad 10-12-0 ... E Whettam
6 0 Prince Ferought 14-12-0 ... G Webster 7
7 fp-0 Prince Milborne 9-12-0 ... Miss J Barlow 7

2 Sidbury Hill, 5-2 Thomascourt, 6 Fishing Song, 7 Prince Milborne, 10 Hopeful Lad, 16 Go-Away Herald.

7.30 DEVON DUMPLINGS HOCKEY CLUB NOVICE HANDICAP (£824: 2m 150yd) (12)
2 143 Stevasa 6-11-7 ... H Davies
3 104 Mighty Steel 5-11-7 ... M Kinane
4 032 Panto Prince 4-11-7 ... B Powell
6 303 Isom Dart 6-11-5 ... B Wright
7 044 End Of The Road (B) 5-11-4 ... S Smith Eccles
9 0ou New Kayber 6-10-13 ... -
11 04p Gary Shaw 5-10-9 ... R Dennis 4
12 000 Mountain Mear 5-10-6 ... P Richards
13 000 Azara 5-10-0 ... S McNeill
16 0pl- Birds Of A Feather 5-10-0 ... J Suthern
17 023 Best Intent 8-10-0 ... Mr B Dowling 7
18 0/p0 Chilly Bliss 8-10-0 ... M Ayliffe

11-4 Panto Prince, 100-30 Stevasa, 4 Mighty Steel, 6 Isom Dart, 8 End Of The Road, 10 New Kabyer.

8.0 WASHINGTON SINGER HANDICAP CHASE (£2,385: 2m 150yd) (4)
2 113 North Yard 9-12-0 (7 ex) ... Philip Hobbs
6 300 Admiral Greville (B) 9-10-11 ... R Dunwoody
7 221 Spanish God 10-10-6 (7 ex) ... B Powell
8 ppp Administrator 8-10-1 ... M Hammond

7-4 North Yard, 15-8 Spanish God, 3 Admiral Greville, 12 Administrator.

8.30 BULPIN CHALLENGE HURDLE (amateurs: £2,055: 3m 2f 100yd) (15)
1 400 Ben 9-12-0 ... Miss H Handel 7
2 100 Road To Mandalay (B) 8-12-0 ... A J Wilson
3 00u Stalled Boy 7-12-0 ... Mrs E Mitchell
6 002 The Liquidator 5-11-13 ... S Sherwood
7 p00 Border Gem 12-11-9 ... L Harvey 7
8 p00 Party Miss 10-11-9 ... Miss H Chard 7
11 00- Cheung Sing 6-11-4 ... Miss J Rosomon 7
13 u00 December Dawn 12-11-4 ... -
14 p03 El Cito 8-11-4 ... T Mitchell 7
15 100 Gather No Moss 8-11-4 ... Mrs C Smallman 7
16 fpu General Sandy 7-11-4 ... C Waller 7
20 p03 Prince Baskies 10-11-4 ... S West 7
23 p00 Annie Hotspur 7-10-13 ... C Smyth 7
25 3p-0 Harvest Hymn 7-10-13 ... P Scholfield 7
26 p00 Major Symphony 7-10-13 ... -

2 The Liquidator, 5-2 Road To Mandalay, 4 Ben.

NEWTON ABBOT SELECTIONS (by Mandarin) 6.0 Mood Music. 6.30 Archie's Nephew. 7.0 Fishing Song. 7.30 Panto Prince. 8.0 North Yard. 8.30 The Liquidator.

● Last Saturday's Irish 2,000 guineas winner Triptych faces stiff opposition if attempting an unprecedented double this weekend in the Goff's Irish 1,000 Guineas. One of four initial acceptors from the David O'Brien stable, Triptych could run this Saturday if she pleases her trainer during the week, but he will not finalize plans until Friday morning.

Wolverhampton

2.15 (5f) 1, PURSUE (R Fox 12-1); 2, Create Leap (A McGlone 7-4 fav); 3, Bedtime Tease (T Williams 20-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Zabelians, 7 Leleston, 10 Tolly's Ale (6th), 12 Prissy Miss (4th), 14 Gem of Gold (5th), Sleigh, 16 Halo, One Step Ahead, 20 Travel Free, 25 Dashaki Gold, Tawny Hill, 33 Dancer-Do, Farceuse, Left Right, Misty Arch, Solent Express. 19 ran. 2½l, 4l, sh hd, 1l, 1½l. B Hobbs at Newmarket. TOTE: £21.40; £13.10, £2.00, £6.30. DF: £54.00. CSF: £34.95.

2.45 (1m 4f) 1, CLUEDO (David Eddery 9-1); 2, Balgownie (M Brennan 5-1); 3, Shuttlecock Star (J Bray 20-1). ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Tashonya, 4 Habat's Melody (6th), 9 Stonebroker, 10 Home And Trade, 20 Ibbetson, Solar Light (4th), 25 Fiori Wonder (5th), 33 Hobournes Girl, Parma Nova, Jennie's Darling, Par Sewy, Bob And Peter. 15 ran. ¾l, 3l, 2½l, 1l, 1½l. R J Williams at Newmarket. TOTE: £9.20; £2.80, £2.60, £9.20. DF: 44.50. CSF: £56.75. TRICAST: £824.10.

3.15 (1m 1f) 1, ABSENT LOVER (J Johnson 8-1); 2, El Gitano (G Duffield 33-1); 3, Spigot Shaft (J Williams 25-1); 4, Red Guy (R Cochrane 9-2). ALSO RAN 4 fav Dundy, 8 Nice One Andy, 10 Otrebor, 11 Dominion Blue, 12 Lemelasor (6th), Penny's Double, Bamdoro, 14 Tamertown Lad, 16 Sunapa's Owlet, 20 Sindos, Tipo Style, 25 Metelsin, 33 Master Linne, Ballasayle Lad, Lady Liza, (5th), Bold Rowley, Marguerita Time, Stormy Kestrel. NR: Landseer, Branksome Towers. 22 ran. 1½l, ¾l, 2½l, 1½l. F Yardley at Droitwich. TOTE: £12.50; £2.20, £4.00, £7.80, £1.20. DF: £199.80. CSF: £249.56. Tricast: £5,660.72.

3.45 (1m 1f) 1, NO CONTROL (R Guest 16-1); 2, On Patrol (W Carson 5-4 fav); 3, Badalushka (S Cauthen 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Juddmonte, 11-2 Star Kris, 6 Queen's Eyot (4th), 20 Arabian Moun (6th), Youthful Momentum, 25 Hans Grove, 33 Chiswick, Gentle Queen, Jalome, June Maid, Maydrum, Primrose Way (5th), Renira. NR: Lady Kafia. 16 ran. 3l, 2l, ½l, 1¾l, 6l. L Cumani at Newmarket. TOTE: £25.30; £3.20, £1.10, £1.10. DF: £13.30. CSF: £38.10.

4.15 (1m 1f) 1, SALILIA (A Kimberley 3-1 fav); 2, Bold And Beautiful (G Duffield 7-1); 3, Flower of Tintern (M Mathem, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Rashah, 4 Perissa, 13-2 Croissant de Lune, 12 Glas Y Dorlan, 14 Golden Curd, 20 Entrancingly (6th), 25 Moorland Lady (4th), Ragged Moon, Sunny Nice (5th), 33 Atak, Comedy Princess, Exalted Dawn, In A Flash, Telly's Tonic, Turtle Bay, Wren Officer. NR: Rosedale. 19 ran. 4l, ½l, 2½l, 7l, 1l. M Stoute at Newmarket. TOTE: £9.30; £4.40, £1.70, £17.70. DF: £56.80. CSF: £25.70.

4.45 (5f) 1, HOPI (M L Thomas, 13-2); 2, Glen Glory (D Nicholls, 7-1); 3, Lean Streak (K Radcliffe, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Fav Rosita (6th), 11-2 Jackie Blair (4th), 6 Hopeful Katie, 7 In The Family, 10 Popplewick Lady, 11 Elmcote Lad (5th), 20 Silk Imp, Blue Scholar, First Experience. NR: Silken Oyster, Caernarvon Boy, Martella. 12 ran. 1l, ½l, nk, 1l, 1¾l. Mrs Reavey, Newmarket. TOTE: £5.60; £2.10, £3.30, £3.70. DF: £79.90. CSF: £52.88. Tricast: £342.31.
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BOXING: McGUIGAN SETS OUT ON THE ROAD OF WHICH HOLMES NEARS THE END

Hungry fighter who brought about a united Ireland

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

The Irish are mad about the boy, regardless of which side of the aisle they sit or which side of the border they stand. You have only to wait a few minutes outside Barry McGuigan's gym in Castle Street, Belfast, and catch an *Irish eye of blue, and* you will find out why the little fighter from Clones is a folk hero.

Take Agnes, for instance. She is 80. Never missed a McGuigan fight. She sees you standing outside the gym and she comes up to you and says: "Tell Barry my son is out of hospital and we'll be going to London for the big fight." She pulls out two tickets from her bag and slides them back between her purse and pension book: £100 each, they are.

The Irish just love a fighter, in every sense of the word. Outside the gym they will tell you about the Kellys and Gilroy and Cladwell and Monaghan and McGuigan. And on June 8 10,000 Irishmen will cross the water to shout with one voice for McGuigan against Eusebio Pedroza, of Panama, in their World Boxing Association featherweight title contest.

So taken are they with the British and European featherweight champion that McGuigan has already become odds on to lift the world title at Loftus Road, the Queen's Park Rangers football ground. McGuigan's manager, B. J. Eastwood, one of Ireland's leading bookmakers, says: "McGuigan has won the handicaps and now he is going to the Derby. We have not yet seen the best of McGuigan."

If the punters have overlooked the fact that the "other horse", who is odds on in New York, has not only won the Derby but also 18 other group one events, McGuigan has not. He knows the champion too well: even better, perhaps, than the champion knows himself because he has watched Pedroza *on the video three times a day*, every day, for the last three weeks.

"I will not be watching him any more unless I have to," McGuigan says. "Because every time I see him he gets better. He is a terrific body-puncher and has a whipping uppercut that can take your head off and is extremely good at in-fighting."

Pedroza, who is 5ft 10in and built like a welterweight, knows every in-fighting trick that is not in the book. "He knows the dirt of the day," as they say in the pubs and clubs of Belfast. That is why Eastwood has brought in two sparring partners, Jose Marmolejo, coached by Pedroza's trainer, and Equil Musquera to show the Irish challenger a few Panama City moves.

The 24-year-old McGuigan, who as a schoolboy at St Patrick's High School in Clones, was the champion at hardy knuckles (conkers with knuckles), is learning fast. "I have sparred with Latins in the past and I thought I knew about them," he says. "But these two are showing me new things every day. They do the most unusual things like leading with an uppercut straight up the middle. They know all the dirty tricks like how to get your head on top of theirs inside. I'm learning also how to relax and look busy at the same time."

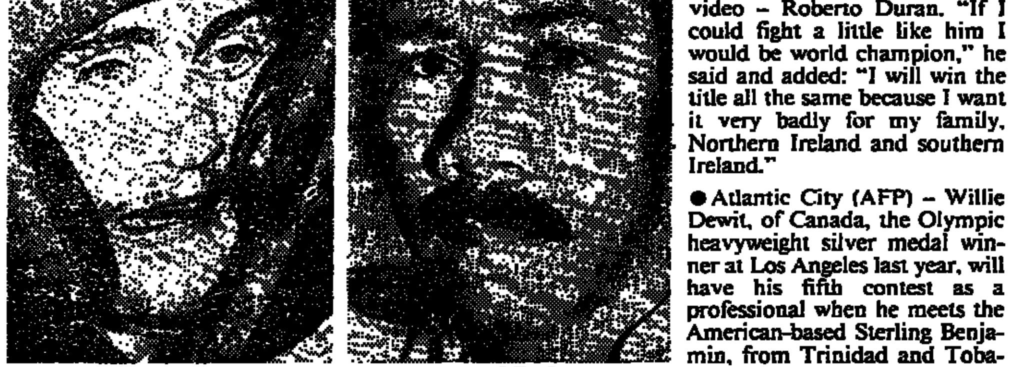
Eastwood admits that McGuigan's showing against Juan LaPorte in Belfast, however exciting it might have appeared on television, is not good enough to beat Pedroza. "LaPorte said before he went back that Barry would beat Azumah Nelson, the World Boxing Council champion, but that Pedroza was something special."

Eastwood will be calling in two more sparring partners from the United States, including Gerald Hayes, who gave Pedroza a hard time. "It will cost me £30,000 to turn McGuigan out for this fight," he said. "But it will be worth it."

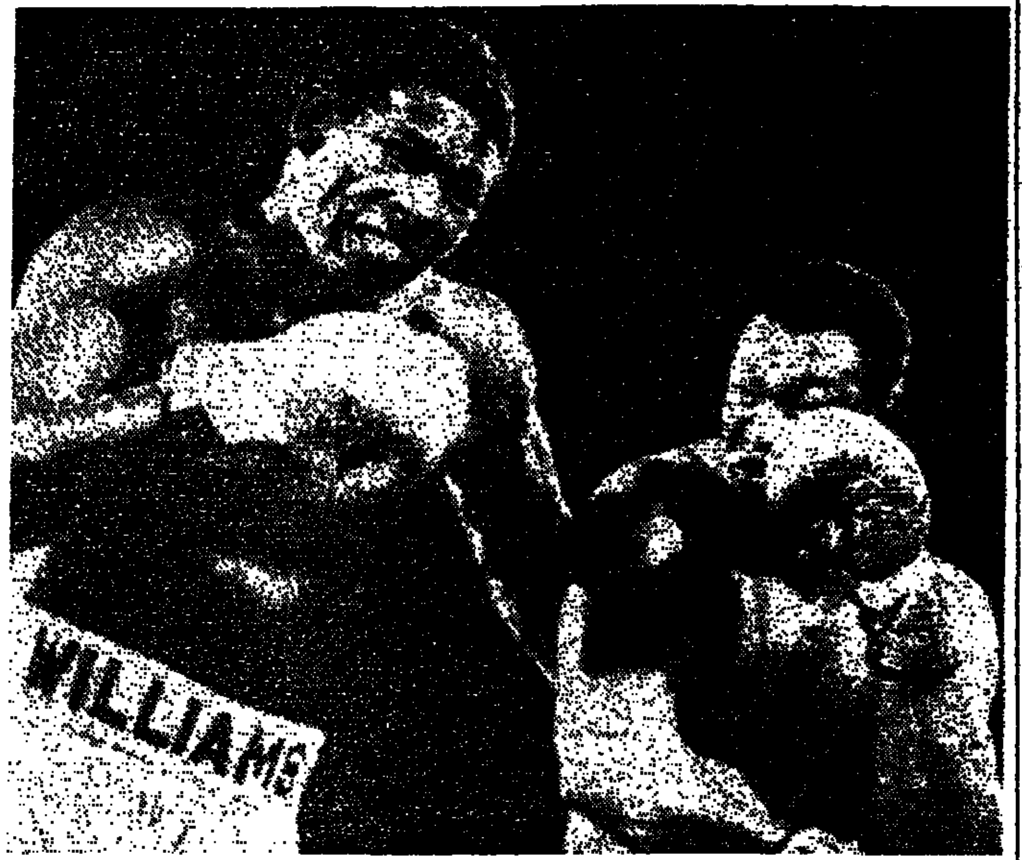
Eastwood switched on the videos of the champion against LaPorte, Caba and Hayes. Pedroza looked magnificent in all contests and the combination that finished off Hayes was awesome. You could see why McGuigan had decided to keep the films switched off.

McGuigan, who has moved *away from the family to his* training camp in Bangor, may spend much of his spare time watching his favourite boxer on video – Roberto Duran. "If I could fight a little like him I would be world champion," he said and added: "I will win the title all the same because I want it very badly for my family, Northern Ireland and southern Ireland."

● Atlantic City (AFP) – Willie Dewit, of Canada, the Olympic heavyweight silver medal winner at Los Angeles last year, will have his fifth contest as a professional when he meets the American-based Sterling Benjamin, from Trinidad and Tobago, here on June 5.



Challenger and champion: McGuigan and Pedroza



Reaching for a record: Larry Holmes (right) during his bout against Carl Williams

Holmes takes pains to prevail again

Reno, Nevada (Reuter) – Larry Holmes, bleeding from the mouth and his left eye closed, took another painful step towards boxing history on Monday night. Holmes's latest victim was Carl "the Truth" Williams and the points verdict was unanimous.

But the International Boxing Federation (IBF) champion admitted after his 48th heavyweight victory: "The fights are not easier, they're harder. The fighters are not older, they're younger."

Holmes also said he would box in July in an attempt to equal Rocky Marciano's record of 49 triumphs. If victorious he will go for the outright record in October.

Holmes suffered unexpected punishment on his way to a reported $2.5 million. Williams received $175,000. The winning margin was 147-139 on two of the three American judges' scorecards, but only one point, 144-143, on the other card.

In the early stages Holmes seemed to be waiting to land his strong right hand for a knockout. He drew first blood, opening up a cut over Williams's left eye in the third round, but the challenger's corner repaired the damage several times during the contest.

Holmes's lacklustre performance convinced some observers that he would have difficulty breaking Marciano's record.

"Williams reminds me of me in my youth", Holmes said. "He has a good jab. Apparently he's watched films of me and picked up some things." Eddie Futch, Holmes's manager for 12 bouts, said his man "took more punishment than in any fight since I've been with him."

Ali's China shuffle

Peking (AP) – The man who was once described as the best-known person on earth has proved that even in the relative sporting wilderness of China, they have heard of The Greatest. It was like the old days for Muhammad Ali – big crowds, playful sparring, a little shuffle and a lot of talking as he toured China recently on a 10-day visit at the invitation of the government.

Not that Ali is a stranger to the country where they have had nearly as many revolutions as Ali has had comebacks. In 1979, when boxing was actually banned as too dangerous, Ali's visit caused so much interest that it helped revive the sport there – to such an extent that China is hoping to enter boxers in future Olympic Games.

One of them might well be Wang Wei, a 20-year-old lightweight. To roars of approval from 500 students at Peking Sports Institute, Ali took off his coat and tie, and climbed into a makeshift ring to spar with the far from heavyweight Chinaman.

Ali swung his right in circles for uppercuts that were never meant to land and faked a knockdown. He was not able to float like a butterfly any more, but the crowd loved it.

"Chinese boxers have got great potential", Ali said. "They're not big, but they can take a punch and they are determined and courageous."

Drugs create climate of desperation

Baseball chief sets out to restore some broken images

SPORT IN AMERICA
Sue Mott

American sports have an image problem. It stemmed in part from the Tulane University basketball "points shaving" scandal, in which players allegedly tipped results to the satisfaction and profit of gamblers in return for supplies of cocaine. It became known through leaks from a Federal investigation into a cocaine trafficking ring in Pittsburgh which repeatedly involved up to a dozen top league baseball players. And the whole affair has been fuelled into a wildfire by the revelations of Steve Coursin, who plays American Football for Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He said that he was among 95 per cent of National Football League players who have tried anabolic steriods. "You've got to get on drugs if you want to survive", he said.

Falling heroes

That is the image problem. From here to heroin addict, the athlete is suddenly being perceived as a coke-snorting, dope-pushing, steroid-popping zombie, who would sell grandma and the furniture for a Porsche convertible and a spot on a television beer commercial.

As a result, it is being openly recognized at last that the "must win" pressures of American sport is pushing too many athletes and coaches into the realm of the illegal, abnormal or hallucinatory to achieve the desired result. Someone has decided to do something about it.

"Someone has to say 'enough is enough' against drugs". Peter Ueberroth, the new commissioner of baseball, said. "Baseball's going to accomplish this. It's a tiny segment of society. We're going to remove drugs and be an example." Few doubt his noble intentions, reinforced by the legend that he cleaned up the city of Los Angeles for the Olympic Games last year by removing all the street bums out of sight or equipping those who would not move with tuxedos.

This time sartorial elegance is not Ueberroth's target. His radical plan for eliminating drugs in baseball requires mandatory testing for heroin, cocaine, marijuana and other illegal substances for everyone in the sport, from administrators to owners and umpires – everyone but the players who are exempted by their *union. The move has ben seen by the* players as a none-too-subtle pressure on them to accede to random testing, and a controversy between civil libertarians waving the banner of "privacy invasion" and club owners preaching "sports integrity" is developing into a nationwide battle.

The players' association is strongly resisting the plan, and many players are expressing their resentment that this is a case of punishment before crime. "It's assuming a guy is guilty without knowing", Dale Murphy, of the Atlanta Braves, said. Murphy's unimpeachable clean-cut image will not allow him one sip of coke, let alone a snort of its namesake.

But this player resistance movement has not prevented a number of owners taking the matter into their own hands. The Yankees' owner, George Steinbrenner, has enlisted the help of the FBI to track his players on their nightly forays into the great outdoors. The result, predictably, has been a shambles.

For one thing, these undercover agents have made themselves conspicuous, following the players into hotels and restaurants from Kansas to Minneapolis. Don Baylor, the Yankees' designated hitter, admitted with a laugh last week: "They were the only guys in the place dressed like bankers, in coat and tie. You could spot them a mile away." For another thing, the only arrests to come out of the surveillance in Minneapolis were prompted by a highly embarrassing case of "indecent conduct" by two young Yankees who used the corner of a car park as a urinal.

A shocked Steinbrenner fined the players $1,000 (£835) each for their misadventure, but he no doubt rests more easily in the knowledge that a joint to a yankee player is a place in which to wine and dine, not a cigarette to be rolled and smoked. As for any lingering hilarity that the FBI agents have caused, that is partly dissipated by tradition. The Yankees have a history of tailing their players.

Babe Ruth, arguably the greatest player in the history of baseball, also had the distinction of being the first Yankee tailed by a policeman. Mickey Mantle was another, when management feared that his roommate, Billy Martin (now the Yankee manager) was leading him astray. Mantle, so far from resenting his shadow, actually went out of his way to be co-operative, tapping his detective on the shoulder on one occasion and arranging a time to meet at a restaurant.

Shoeboxes of money

While much of the latest "drug-war" focuses on baseball, evidence suggests that the problem is prevalent in every sport from the *professional* league to high school. College sport, a valuable breeding ground for multi-million dollar professional footballers and basketball players, is particularly vulnerable. Dons and Deans routinely regret that shoeboxes of tax-free money should be heaped on college stars for their athletic services and yet that same player can leave the university four years later with the reading skill of a 13 year-old. Greedy alumni, TV dollars, insecure coaches, all contribute to the climate of desperation in which drugs are increasingly an essential part of winning.

As a competitor for the best-built Mr Pittsburg said: "You enter a competition in body-building without using steroids and its like sending your girlfriend into the Miss America pageant without make-up or eye shadow".

IN BRIEF

Out-of-form Durie is bolstered by sponsors

Jo Durie, the British tennis No 1 whose year's sponsorship of £40,000 British Airways has ended, was given new financial support by Pilkington Glass. Miss Durie and her coach, Alan Jones, are already employed by the company to run coaching clinics and the new one-year agreement calls for a series of personal appearances.

Miss Durie, whose form has slumped dramatically over the last year, said: "I hope this sponsorship will help me regain my form and my world top five ranking."

HOCKEY: England face strong opposition from Australia and Pakistan in pool B of the junior world cup tournament, for players under 21, at Vancouver, from August 12 to 25. West Germany's chief rivals in pool A are India and the Netherlands.

SWIMMING: Berverley Rose, the British 100 metres backstroke record holder, has been forced to withdraw from the European Championship trials at Leeds this weekend. The 21-year-old City of Glasgow competitor has been laid ow by a virus.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Great Britain are to make separate tours of Australia and New Zealand between 1988 and 1994 it has been decided at an international board meeting in Paris. Papua New Guinea will tour Europe in 1987 for the first time.

RUGBY UNION: Paul Collins is the only forward to retain his place in a reshaped Ireland side who play a Japanese selection XV in the second match of their tour in Sendai today (Reuter reports).

IRELAND: P Raney, M Finn, B Mullin, M Kernan, K Crossan, R Keyes, R Brown, P Collins, P Matthews, W Anderson, B McCall, N Carr, J McCoy, H Harbison, P Kennedy.

TABLE TENNIS: Chinese sportsmen will compete in a professional event in South Korea for the first time when the inaugural Grand Prix finals are held in Seoul from May 28 to June 2.

FOOTBALL: Brian Hill, aged 38, has been appointed to the English panel of international referees, the Football Association announced yesterday. He replaces David Richardson who, at 48, has retired. Hill, an accountant from Kettering, has served as a League referee since 1977 and two years ago refereed the FA Trophy final.

● Scotland's annual indoor six-a-side tournament is to receive £300,000 worth of sponsorship over the next three years. The sponsors are Tennent Caledonian Breweries and it was revealed that the event, staged in Falkirk and Edinburgh in the past two years, will be switched to the New Scottish Exhibition Centre in Glasgow, which can seat up to 8,000 fans. The competition will feature the 10 Scottish Premier League sides.

● Morton, newly relegated to the Scottish first division, have appoined a former player, Alan McGraw, as their new manager. He takes over from Willie McLean, who told the directors following the last game of the season that he did not wish to renew his contract. It is McGraw's first managerial appointment.

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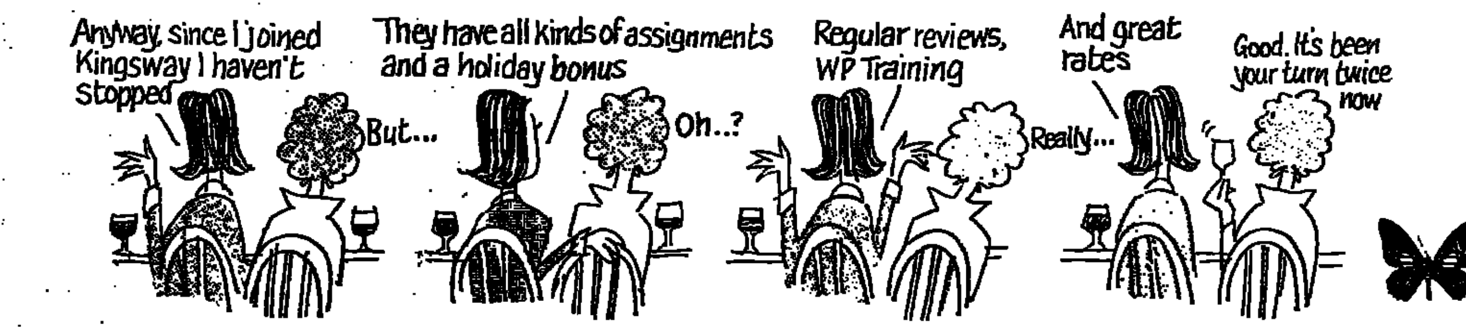
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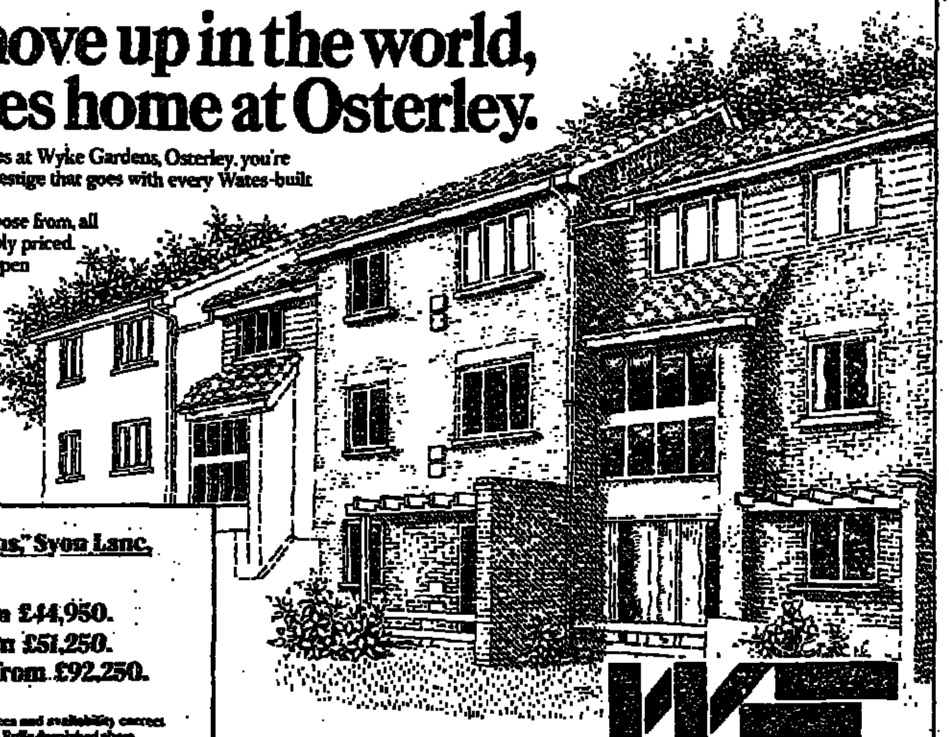

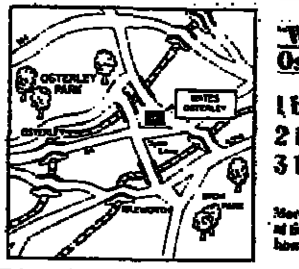

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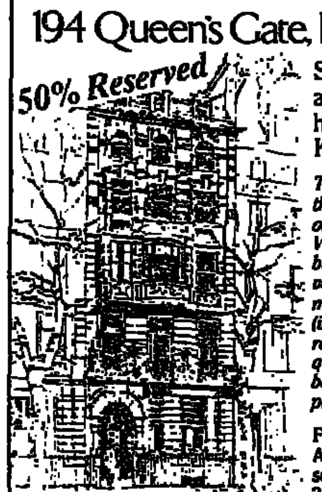

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The Chayofita apartments have large open terraces and enclosed patios ideal for outdoor entertaining

New homes with sun appeal

The growing appeal of holiday-home ownership in southern Tenerife is based on four factors: consistent sunshine, low land values, the proximity of the new airport and cheap air tickets.

The property boom is so recent that *there are very few high-rise apartment* blocks. Present development is planned mostly in traditional style with clusters of one-storey and two-storey villas and apartments built round swimming pools and gardens intersected with walkways overhung with flowers.

Chayofita is typical of a medium-sized, self-contained development. The one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments, all with ground-floor or first-floor balconies, have access to two private pools with a heated pool due for completion next month.

Chayofita has 260 units completed and sold out of an eventual 350, and the British agents, Richard Martin Sales, are selling off-plan apartments due for completion during this summer.

One-bedroom homes range between £16,500 and £19,000 depending on size and position, while the two-bedroom/two-bathroom duplexes are about £29,000.

Last July Richard Martin Sales *launched a quarter-share scheme* at Chayofita enabling each of four owners to occupy one apartment for three months a year on a revolving basis.

Director Sally Gow says: "The quarter- share costs £6,500 for a one-bedroom apartment and £9,500 for the two-bedroom unit, and purchasing procedures are exactly the same as for whole-ownership, with all four names appearing on the escritura.

"We find the scheme has wide *appeal. Not everyone wants all-year-*round commitment to a holiday home."

Near Chayofita, the new marina development of Amarilla Bay is under construction, with the first 77 waterside apartments of an eventual 350 being ready for occupation in a year's time.

Of these, 56 are still for sale at prices ranging from £17,800 for a *studio, £27,750 for a* one-bedroom apartment and £35,000 for a two-bedroom/two-bathroom apartment. Work on the marina is due to start next month and will run concurrently with the holiday homes.

Playas de las Americas is the tourist *hub of southern Tenerife but the* Oasis apartment complex, now being developed by Tajoler S L, set above the town and overlooking the Atlantic, is sufficiently far from the centre to retain its tranquility.

Phase one is sold out. Phase two, which will be ready by December, has 30 apartments available ranging from £23,800 for one-bedroom units and from £36,000 for those with two bedrooms.

● **Details:** Sally Gow, Richard Martin Sales, St Martin's House, Bull Ring, Birmingham B5 5DT. Tel: 021-643 7025.

Diana Wildman

Building up to retirement

Many British buyers with long-term retirement plans look to Los Gigantes in the south-west of Tenerife, where a number of more expensive developments are being built, *writes Diana Wildman.*

Two that stand out are Aer Lingus's *Sansofé scheme* and Wimpey's Las Rosas complex. The former consists of 55 apartments being built in five phases.

Phase one is sold out, phase two, due for a January handover, has seven units left out of 14, at prices from £29,750 to £33,500 for a one-bedroom apartment, dependent on position and size, and £47,000 for the two-bedroom/two-bathroom duplex.

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Mr Rafter is also chairman of Wimpey Villas (Tenerife) SA, a joint venture company in partnership with Aer Lingus España, which is building 100 apartments within the 40 acres, all overlooking the sea. Of these, 50 are built and a further 20 will be ready in July.

***Of the first phase,* 20 *have been* sold outright while the other 30 are being marketed on a time-share basis at prices ranging from £1,350 for a week in a one-bedroom apartment in low season, to £2,900 for a high season week in a two-bedroom unit.**

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■ Those of us of modest means need not apply to live in the Channel Islands, a fact most relevant in the case of La Haye du Poits, Castel, Guernsey, one of the oldest and most outstanding houses in the island, which is for sale at £925,000 through Strutt and Parker, and Lovell and Partners, St Peter Port, Guernsey.

La Haye du Puits dates from the 15th century, was rebuilt in the 17th century and has since been enlarged. Built of pink and blue granite, it has five reception rooms, six bedroooms, various outbuildings and grounds of 7.75 acres. Keen interest is expected, not least because income tax is only 20p in the pound.

■ Behind the fine Georgian exterior of 48 Canonbury Square, Islington, north London, is a house of exotic decor described by Sturgis and Son (01-493 1401) as "eclectic". The four-bedroom house has a gaming room with roulette table, billiards room and gymnasium and a "Chinese" reception room. The asking price is £325,000.

Polperro views

■ Two properties in Cornwall, as attractive for their environment as for the accommodation, are for sale through Jackson-Stops and Staff's Yeovil office (0935 74066). Kit Hill, Talland Hill, Polperro, claims the finest view of that picturesque town, perched high up overlooking the harbour and sea. The house, built in 1936, has three main reception rooms, seven bedrooms, a self-contained flat and 1.5 acres and a guide price of £150,000.

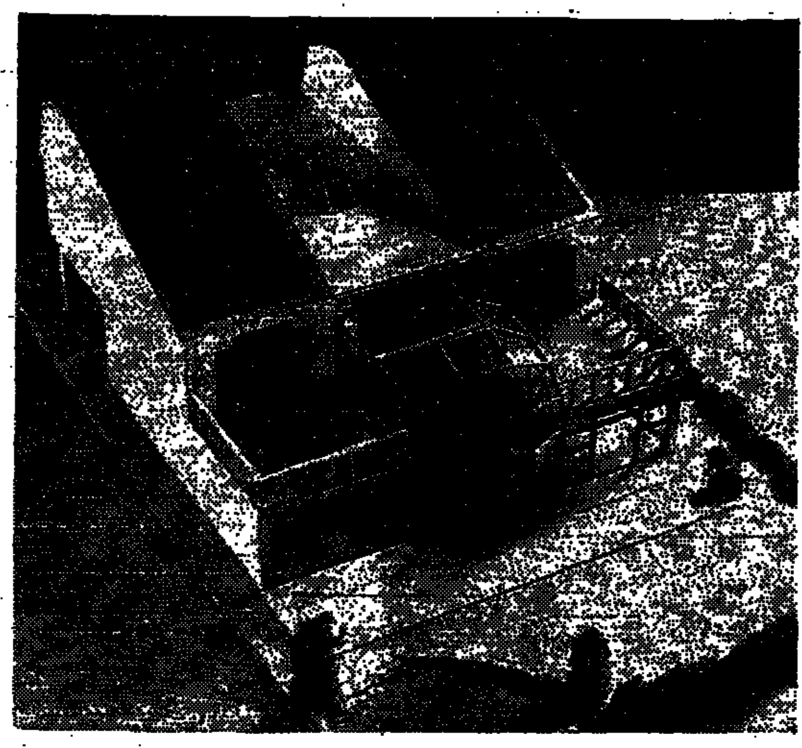
On the north Cornwall coast, south of Bude, is Higher Penhalt Farm at Poundstock, which has 176 acres and a mile of Cornwall's coastline, including the Crackington formation and a private beach. With a 200-year-old farmhouse needing modernization and a range of farm buildings, the price is £485,000.

■ Drovers, The Street, Nutbourne, near Pulborough, West Sussex, is a Grade II listed timber-framed cottage dating from the 16th century, for which King and Chasemore's Pulborough office (07982 2081) is asking £107,500. It has two reception rooms and three bedrooms.

Jane was there

■ Ashe House, Ashe, near Overton, Hampshire, is a fine Georgian Grade II listed house which numbers among its distinguished visitors Jane Austen, who frequently visited her sister, married to the Rev John Lefroy, during the house's period as a rectory.

The house has a large hall, three reception rooms, eight bedrooms, stable block and barn, and three cottages in about 4.5 acres in countryside overlooking the source of the river Test. Lane Fox and Partners are asking £450,000.



A model for the future: Glass and solar panels are in for the winning entry in the group competition to design a 1990s home

Shape of things to come

It is not that Britain's housebuilders are short of new ideas on design (although you might think so from some of the new houses being built) but the New Homes Marketing Board had the bright notion of giving the next generation of housebuyers the chance to design a home for the 1990s.

Accordingly, the board, an offshoot of the House Builders' Federation, set up a competition in its south-west region in which about 180 schoolchildren aged between 14 and 17 took part. It was judged by a panel including a planner, an architect, a builder and the property correspondent of *The Times*.

As a first attempt to interest schools in housing and design in this way, it was an undoubted success and the organizers hope the competition will in the future be taken nationwide – finance and goodwill permitting.

One feature to emerge was the strong traditional feeling in designing homes even when the children were encouraged to use their imagination. That may be in part the result of design briefs to which the entrants worked and partly the way in which the entries were judged.

Though aesthetic design and imagination carried high marks, they were matched by the more practical aspects: is the property realistic in design and is it affordable to buy and to run?

Of the 12 finalists in the individual competition, most were conventional and rather dull but there were encouraging signs of originality in some. Sunken rooms, solar heating, leisure complexes and computerized offices all made their appearance.

There were three alternative briefs – a house for a senior executive, his wife and two teenage children; for a young married couple with two small children; and an apartment or maisonette for a single person. But all the individual competitors chose the first.

A hexagonal house, by Janine Prior, of St Mark's School, Bath, was imaginative and was practical too, according to the builder and architect. When the marks were added up it was surprising that she did not win.

Similarly Ivanov Lampkin, from King's School, Gloucester, produced a most sophisticated design but the worthy winner was Victoria Firth, aged 15, from St Mark's, Bath, whose house, soundproofed, with a workout room and office, was both imaginative and realistic.

The group competition, which demanded a model, was won by Dominic Preist, Andrew Mitchell and Mark Chivers, from Hanham High School, Bristol, using their design, communicaiton and implementation A level study for the project.

Theirs was a futuristic design, as illustrated above but their detailed description of the building convinced the judges it was quite realistic, and could be offered for sale at about £140,000 on the plot they found in a residential area of Bristol.

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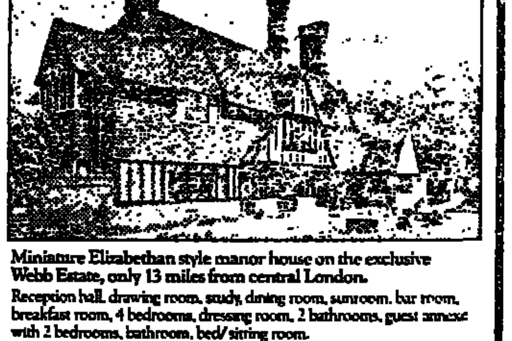

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BIRTHS

ANTHONY. – On May 18th to Susan and Peter, at West London Hospital, twins, Michael and Sarah.

BERRETT–. On May 19, at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, to Janie (neé Vyvyan-Robinson) and Michael – a daughter, Elizabeth Tamsin Mary.

BRODIE. – On 20th May, to Geraldine and Christian – a son (James).

BROWNRIGG.–On May 15th, at Bath, to Jane (Walker) and John–a son (Jack Robert Walker), a brother for Thomas.

BUTT. – On May 8th to Mary (née Moncur) and Rowland – a daughter, Susanna Mary, sister for Louisa and Charles.

COVERDALE – On 10th May 1985 to Richard and Jane (Nelson), at Birmingham Maternity Hospital, twin daughters (Julia, Rebecca and Sarah, Felicity), sisters of Henry.

FERRY – On May 16th to Bryan and Lucy – a son. A brother for Otis.

FORSHALL On May 16th to Amanda (née Clutterbuck) and Samual a son, Thomas William.

HESMONDHALGH. – On May 19th, to Caroline and Kim – a son, George Alexander, a brother for Daniel.

HIATT. – On May 18th, to Stella (née Lane) and Christopher – a son, Christopher James Corbett.

HOOD. – On May 20th at St Teresa's, Wimbledon, to Maya (nee Togonal) and Stephen, a daughter – a sister for Ludovic, William, Roderick and Frederick.

KEMP. – On May 17th at The Maternity Hospital, Ipswich, to Rosalind (née Hollingsworth) and John – a daughter, Antonia Frances.

LEE. – On May 20th in London to Jane (née Watkinson) and Carl, a son, Jack Alexander a brother for Max.

LUXMOORE.–On May 19th, at West Cumberland Hospital, to Elizabeth (née Towler) and Robin–a daughter (Bethany Jane).

MARDELL. – On May 14th, at Kingston Hospital, to Pauline (née Young) and Les – a son, (Peter Edward John) a brother for Rosa and Hannah.

MARTIN. – On May 19, at Heatherwood Hospital, Ascot, to Marian (nee Redway) and Ben – a son (David James).

MATHUR-CHANDRIKA – On May 21 1985 in Windsor to Prakash & Abha.

McDONALD-CIPOLLA. – On May 18th in New York City to Celina and Vic, a daughter Olivia.

MICHELL-LYNCH – On 12th May to Jane and Cyril – a son, (John Emmet), at the West London Hospital.

MULIRA – On May 11th at Solihull hospital to Christine (née Dunn) and Apollo – a son, (Charles William, Emmanuel), brother to Joshua and Anthony.

NOCK – On May 11 to Emma (nee Dereham) and Marcus a daughter Charlotte Rose.

NORTHAMPTON. On May 19th in the Wallingdon Hospital, to Ellen (Fritzi) and Spenny, a daughter, Louisa.

OGILVIE. – On May 14th, in Madrid to Loreto and Philip – a son, Ian Alexander.

SHORROCKS. On May 7th to Rosalind (nee Stripe) and Peter, a daughter, Jennifer Jill.

TROUP. – On May 18th, to Striol and Edward, a son, Lawrence (John Lawrence Astley).

TULLOCH. – On May 20th, 1985, to Sophie (née Blyth) and Angus – a son, William John.

WALTON – On May 19th at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital to Mary (nee Butler) and Alastair, a daughter, Alexandra Mary.

BIRTHDAYS

CAROLINE DUGUID is 18 today. Happy birthday darling. Love Mum and Dad.

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MACRAE–HUNTER. – On May 22, 1945, at St Margaret's, Edinburgh, Alan Hugh Macrae, Capt 3rd QAO Gurkha Rifles, to Barbara Anne Hunter. Now at Sanderstead, Surrey.

DEATHS

ARCHER. – on May 16th 1985. Suddenly at her home in Winchester, Hope Eleanor Archer. Beloved eldest daughter of the late Admiral Sir Ernest and Lady Archer, and dearly loved sister of the late Joan Shaw and of Olive Shaw. Funeral Service at St Luke's church, Stanmore, Winchester, on Thursday May 23rd at noon. And interment thereafter at St Mary's Church Easton, nr Winchester. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to St Luke's Church, c/o Joe Steel and Son Ltd. Chesil House, 6 Chesil Street, Winchester.

BATCHELOR.–On 17th May, suddenly, at home, Walter Henry, aged 86, of Orchard Cottage, Grove Road, Tring. Cremation at Amersham Crematorium on Wednesday at 2 p.m.

DANGERFIELD. – On May 19th, suddenly but peacefully at Home, Colonel Anthony Hunter Dangerfield, OBE, MA, Roy Warwickshire Regiment (retd), loved husband of Mary. Funeral service at St Thomas a Beckett, Warblington, on Friday at 2.15. Flowers to Wraight, Funeral Directors, Emsworth or donations to Chichester Festival Theatre Trust.

DUNTZE – On May 20th 1985, suddenly at Brompton Hospital, Sir George Duntze, Bt, CMG. Much loved husband of Nesta and dear father of Elizabeth, stepfather and grandfather. Funeral at the West Chapel, Putney Vale Crematorium on Friday, 24th May at 10.15am. No flowers please. Donations if wished, to the League of Friends, Brompton Hospital, London, SW3.

EDWARDS. – On May 19th, George Hugh, suddenly at his home at Minster near Ramsgate, aged 78. Dearly loved husband of Isylaine, and father of David and Elizabeth. Funeral Friday May 24th, 11am, St Mary's Church, Minster, Ramsgate, followed by cremation. Flowers please to W S Cole & Son, Monkton.

FASSON – After a short illness in Peel Hospital on 19th May 1985, James Charles Hamilton Fasson. Dearly loved husband of Margaret, loving father of Tony and dear brother of Sheena and the late Tony Fasson, and much loved stepfather. Funeral at Saint Andrews Church, Kelso on Thursday 23rd May at 11.30am to which all are welcome, thereafter private cremation at Mortonhall.

GAIR. On May 19th peacefully at St Bartholomews Hospital, Murdoch Cameron aged 31, released from a long and gallant fight against cancer. Cherished husband and friend of Laura and darling daddy of Emily Louise & Elena Rose. Beloved elder son of John and Margaret and very dear brother of Margaret and Frank. Funeral service at St Mary's, College Rd, Bromley, on May 28th at 3.00pm followed by interment at the London Rd Cemetery, Bromley, at 3.30pm. Flowers to Francis Chappell & Sons 231 High St, Bromley, Kent.

GITTINS. – John Ratcliffe, B.A.Oxon. on May 19th, 1985, peacefully at his home, Glebe House, Llanfechain. Dearly loved husband of Elizabeth, and loving father of Charles and Alexander. Funeral service at Llanfechain Church on Friday, May 24th at 1.30pm. Enquiries please to L Jackson & Sons, Funeral Directors. Tel: 069 184 243.

GORDON CLARK – On May 21 1985 peacefully at The Mall House, Barton Stacey, John Stanley Gordon Clark, aged 82. Funeral at All Saints Church, Barton Stacey, on Tuesday May 28 at 3pm. Flowers or donations For The Friends of Winchester Cathedral to John Steel and Son Ltd. Chesil House, 6 Chesil Street, Winchester. Tel: 63195.

HASLER – On 20th May peacefully after a long illness, Maureen Ann, nee Mole, aged 48, beloved wife of Michael, daughter of Frank and Lilly and sister of John and Michael. Funeral at New Southgate Crematorium on Thursday 23rd May at 1pm.

HOLMES, – on May 20th peacefully at St Helens Hospital, Hastings, Freda, dearly loved widow of A. K. Holmes, mother of Bernie, Oliver, Bridget and Richard and grandmother of Michael and Rhoda. Funeral service at St Mary's, Udimore at 2pm, on Tuesday 28th May. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired for St Mary's church, may be sent to Dr Bryan Moore, The Pound House, Udimore.

DEATHS

HOWARTH – On May 20th 1985, Martin Halsey father of Daniel, Edward, and Alexandra. Cremation private, memorial service to be announced later.

HUGHES. – On May 20th, suddenly at Haslemere, Diana (Bunty), widow of Hexie Hughes, Welsh Guards, daughter of Pelham Puckle, of Kineton, Warwicks. Cremation private.

INGLIS – On May 18th 1985, Peter Inglis. Loving and beloved husband of Freda (Nattrass) and devoted and much loved father of Fred, Linda and Lesley, and a dear grandfather. Funeral service at St Peter's Church, Stockton at 11.45am Friday 24th May prior to cremation at Darlington.

INGRAM. – On May 19th 1985, Lecky Ingram, peacefully at home, the wife of Peter, loved mother of Gillian and Shauna and grandmother of Mark, Adam, David, James and Joanna. Funeral service at Hendon Crematorium, Holders Hill Road, NW7 at 11.30am. on Friday May 24th. Flowers may be sent to J H Kenyon Ltd, 83 Westbourne Grove, London W2. Tel 01-229 9861 or, if desired donations to Scanner Appeal, Westminster Hospital, London SW1.

JONES REV. ANEURIN – On the 19th May, 1985, peacefully of 24 College Avenue, Rhos-on-Sea, Colwyn Bay, the dearly loved husband of the late Owen, & the very dear brother of Haelwen, Martha, & Miar. Service at Colwyn Bay Crematorium on Thursday, 23rd May at 3pm. No flowers please. Donations may be sent to Save the Children Fund. Inquiries & donations to T. Coucher & Sons, 4 Woodland Road West, Colwyn Bay. Tel: 2206 Colwyn Bay.

KNIGHTS. – On May 17th suddenly at the home of his daughter, Frank Lesley Knights of Blue Shutters, Saxtead Green, Framlingham, aged 72 years. Funeral Service at Earl Soham Parish Church on Friday May 24th at 11.30 am. Family flowers only by request, donations if desired for the Arthritis and Rheumatism Research Council, may be sent to S.R. Dillamore Ltd. (Funeral Directors), 16 Old Road, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, Beds.

LEESE. On Friday, May 17th, 1985, quietly at home, aged 76, Dora Frances Helen Leese, widow of John Leese, and much loved mother and grandmother. Funeral May 28th. Family flowers only.

LE HURAY – On Sunday 19th May, 1985. Winifred Maud, peacefully at Sevenoaks Hospital, after a short illness borne with great courage and dignity. Wife of the late Maurice Alured, dearly loved mother of John and Susan, and loving grandmother. Cremation on Wednesday 29th May at 11.20 at Beckenham. Flowers or if preferred, donations to Cancer Research. Enquiries to W. Hodges, Sevenoaks 454457.

MANSEL. – On 17th May (our 44th Wedding Anniversary) at the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton, Surrey. Margaret, suddenly and peacefully after a long and latterly painful illness, which she bore with the greatest courage and fortitude and without complaint. Most dearly loved and loving wife of Eric. Cremation at North East Surrey Crematorium, Morden, on Wednesday, 29th May at 3.30pm. No flowers please.

MORRIS Henry Graham late Indian Army on 11th May at Heathview, Gordonhouse Rd, London NW5 1LR.

NEILL. – On May 21st 1985, peacefully, Annie Strachan in her 89th year, wife of the late Sir Thomas Neill beloved mother of Catherine, Brian, Desmond and Patrick and dearly loved by her daughters-in-law and grandchildren. Funeral service at St Andrews Church, Ham Common on Friday, May 24th at 12 noon. Flowers and enquiries to T H Sanders and Sons Ltd, 1A Upper Ham Road, Ham Common, Surrey, 01-549 8967.

PADGETT – On Sunday May 19th 1985, peacefully in Edgeware Hospital following a sudden illness William Thomas, aged 80. Very dear husband of Winnie. Much loved father of John and Robert and grandfather of Shaun, Heather and Christopher. Private cremation followed by Service of Thanksgiving at Christ Church Radlett on Thursday May 23 at 11.30 am. Family flowers only. If desired donations may be sent to Help The Aged at St James Walk, Farringdon, London EC1R OBE.

PANFIL. – On May 19th, 1985, peacefully, Ashley Laurie, aged 20 months, darling daughter of Jim and Laurie, sister of Michael. She will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral at Leckhampstead Church, on Thursday, May 23rd, at 12 noon.

SALMON – On May 16th suddenly, Denis Salmon aged 57. Beloved husband and friend of Isabel and loving father of Jonathan and Paul. Service at Beckenham Crematorium, Elmers End Road, at 12 noon Friday 24th May. Afterwards at Burford Road, Bickley. Flowers to Francis Chappell and Sons, 231 High Street, Bromley.

SEYFRIED. – on May 19th 1985, Avis Jennifer, peacefully in her sleep at Graylingwell hospital Chichester. Funeral 12 noon, Friday May 24th at Chichester Crematorium. Flowers to Messrs Edward White, 5 South Pallant Chichester, or donations to the friends of Graylingwell Hospital, Chichester.

SIMONIAN. – On May 19th, 1985, at his home at Broad Walk, Wilmslow, Cheshire, Haygazoun Kapriel, the loved and loving husband of Yolanda, and much loved father of Haig and Alan. Funeral service on Friday, May 24th, 1985, at Armenian Church, Upper Brook Street, Manchester at 1pm prior to interment at Southern Cemetery. All enquiries to Albert R. Slack (Funeral Director) Ltd, Wilmslow. Tel: Wilmslow 526063.

TRYON. – On May 17th, 1985, Lady Winifrid, peacefully at St Barnabas, Worthing. Requiem Mass at Church of Christ the King, Steyning, Sussex, Friday, May 24th at 11.30am. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to St Barnabas, Columbia Drive, Worthing, Sussex.

VERCAMBRE. – On May 20th, 1985, Robert H. Vercambre, M.A.Oxon, Professor Agrégé, Lecturer University of Paris, of 29 Rue de Verdun, 78 Le Vésinet, France. Deeply mourned by his wife Michelle, his family and his friends.

WAGNER – On 19th May suddenly at home in Philadelphia, Diana, (née Lee Warner) widow of Tobias Wagner.

WALLACE. – On May 20th peacefully at West Lodge, Swindon in his 92nd year, William Graham, late of Sonning. Beloved father of Malcolm and Diana. Service at St Mary's Church, Swindon, followed by Cremation at Kingsdown. No flowers please but donations to Royal Masonic Hospital, Ravenscourt Park, London, W6.

WESTOLL. – On 18th May at Glingerburn, Charles Richard, adored son of Richard and Juliet. Funeral private.

WHITEHEAD. – On 20th May, at St Gemmas Hospice, aged 60 years, Dorothy Mary, of 57 Arncliffe Road, Harrogate. Beloved wife of the late George Whitehead and dear mother of Peter. Family flowers only please. Donations in her memory may be given to Cancer Research. 39 East Parade, Harrogate.

WILSON – On May 20th 1985 suddenly at home, after a short illness, Alfred Peter, aged 85 years, of the Old Rectory, Tugford Craven Arms, Shropshire. Beloved husband of Winnie, and father of Rosemary. Funeral service at Shrewsbury Crematorium, on Tuesday May 28th at 11.20am. No flowers please, donations if desired for The British Heart Foundation for which purpose a plate will be provided at the crematorium. Inquiries please to the funeral directors, J. Wall Tel: Ludlow 2048.

YEATMAN – On 21st May at home, Sheila, beloved wife of John Yeatman of Stock Gaylard House, Dorset, and a dearly loved mother and grandmother. Private burial of ashes. Memorial Service at Lydlinch Parish Church Near Sturminster – Newton, Dorset at 3pm, Tuesday 4th June. Donations if wished to Marie Curie Cancer Memorial Foundation, 28 Belgrave Square, London SW1.

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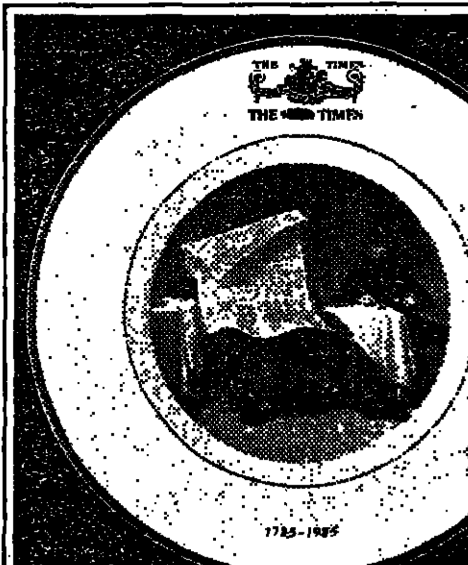

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CINEMAS

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LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (ENQ)/839 1759 (24 hour Access/Visa bookings). **STARMAN** (PG) in 70mm. Sep progs Daily 2.00, 5.30, 8.30. All seats bookable in advance

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SCREEN ON ISLINGTON GREEN. 226 3520 Robert De Niro, Meryl Streep in **FALLING IN LOVE** (PG) 2.15, 4.25, 7.00, 9.00.

SCREEN ON THE HILL 435 3366/9787 Francis Ford Coppola presents **THE GREY FOX** (PG) 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00

SCREEN ON BAKER ST. 935 2772 1. **DANCE WITH A STRANGER** (15) 2.30, 4.35, 7.00, 9.00 FH Sat 11.15 2. **STOP MAKING SENSE** (PG) 3.20, 5.10, 7.10, 9.10. Sat 11.15.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PASTORAL MEASURE 1983

The Church Commissioners have prepared a draft Pastoral Scheme for declaring redundant the parish church of the parish of Saint John the Divine, Bedford Hill, Balham (Southwark diocese) and a draft Redundancy Scheme for the appropriation of the redundant church of Hanwell (London diocese) to residential use.

Copies of the draft Schemes may be obtained from the Church Commissioners, 1 Millbank, London SW1P 3JZ to whom any representations should be sent within 28 days of the publication of this Notice

LEGAL NOTICES

BEN WOLFSON Limited Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Chartered Accountants Library, 8 Fenwick Street, Liverpool 2 on Friday, the 24th day of May 1985, at 12 noon, for the purpose of having a full statement of the position of the Company's affairs, together with a List of the Creditors of the Company and the estimated amount of their claims laid before them, and for the purpose, if thought fit, of nominating a Liquidator and of appointing a Committee of Inspection. Notice is also given that for the purpose of voting Secured Creditors must (unless they surrender their security) lodge at the Registered Office of the Company at 8 Rodney Street, Liverpool L1 2TE before the Meeting a Statement giving particulars of their security, the date when it was given, and the value at which it is assessed.

DATED this 10th day of May 1985

By Order of the Board of Directors.

M. I. MORRIS, Director

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATIONS LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co at 30 Eastbourne Terrace (2nd Floor), London, W2 6LF, on Tuesday the 11th day of June, 1985, at 12 o'clock midday for the purposes provided for in Sections 294 and 295.

Dated the 13th day of May 1985.

MALCOLM HAZELL, Director.

STOKEROSE LIMITED T/A SOUTHERN APPLIANCES & SINKS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a Meeting of the creditors of STOKEROSE Limited will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London W2 6LF on Wednesday the 5th day of June 1985 at 12.00 o'clock midday for the purposes provided for in Sections 294 and 295

Dated the 14th day of May 1985.

C. N. GRINDELL, Director

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948-81
SAFAX HEATING AND ENGINEERING COMPANY Limited

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the COMPANIES ACT 1948, that a meeting of the creditors of SAFAX HEATING AND ENGINEERING COMPANY Limited, will be held at the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, Harborne Road, Birmingham on the 5th day fo June 1985 at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purposes provided in Sections 294 and 295.

K PRITCHARD, Director

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Dated the 13th day of May, 1985.

B IMBER, Director.

RED CIRCLE SIGNS LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a Meeting of the Creditors of Red Circle Signs Limited, will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, London, W2 6LF, on Monday the 3rd day of June, 1985, at 12 o'clock midday for the purposes provided for in Sections 294 and 295.

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BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM.

6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Mike Smith. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and travel at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20, 7.45 and 8.20; the Duke of Atholl reviews the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, the new Top Twenty; and financial advice from Alison Mitchell. The guest is Gene Pitney.

9.20 Ceefax. 10.30 Play School.

10.50 Gharbar. Magazine programme for Asian women. This week's edition includes Samina Mir discussing ante-natal care with Dr A. Rashid Gatrad; and an interview with Parminder Ratra on her role as a link worker sponsored by the Asian Mother and Baby campaign. **11.15 Ceefax.**

1.00 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weather prospects come from Ian McCaskill. **1.27** Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). **1.30 Mr Benn** (r). **1.45 Ceefax.**

2.15 ***Racing from Goodwood.*** Julian Wilson introduces coverage of four races – the Tom Caxton Homebrew Apprentice Championship (round five) (2.30); the Clive Graham Stakes (3.00); the Schroder Life Predominate Stakes (3.35). The 4.05 race is on BBC 2. **3.53** Regional news (not London).

3.55 Lay on Five, presented by Floella Benjamin and David Wood. **4.10 The Wombles** (r). **4.15 The Biskitts.** Cartoon series. **4.35 Take Two,** presented by Josephine Buchan. Two programmes are under discussion this week – Duncan Dares and Secrets Out!! In the studio is Peter Duncan.

5.05 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Duncan Dares. With Steve Good, Peter Duncan attempts to cross the Irish Sea in an amphibious Volkswagon.

5.35 Gloria. Joey is supposed to visit his father but only his luggage arrives.

6.00 News with Nicholas Witchell and Philip Hayton. Weather.

6.35 London Plus.

7.00 Wogan. The guests include Edward Heath.

7.40 Hilary. Comedy series starring Marti Caine as a television chat show researcher who, this week, has the task of persuading a lady to appear on the programme to discuss her love-life (r).

8.10 Dallas. The evidence against Jenna looks to be watertight (Ceefax).

9.00 News with John Humphrys. Weather.

9.25 Q.E.D.: Gina – the Last Campbell. A documentary about Gina, the daughter of Donald and granddaughter of Malcolm Campbell, who has inherited her family's obsession with speed (see Choice).

9.55 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter. The programme includes the final of the Greyhound TV Trophy from Monmore Green, Wolverhampton; interviews with Chris and John Lloyd on what the future holds for them both; a preview of next Wednesday's European Cup final between Juventus and Liverpool in Brussels; and a report on England's World Cup game against Finland played this afternoon in Helsinki.

10.45 Film: Prime Cut (1972) starring Lee Marvin and Gene Hackman. Thriller about a mob's enforcer who is sent to deal with the leader of a breakaway faction of the gang who turns out to be as brutal as the mob's man. Directed by Michael Ritchie.

12.10 Weather.

TV-am

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Henry Kelly. News with Jayne Irving at 6.16, 6.30, 6.45, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.39 and 7.37; exercises at 6.50 and 9.19; Popeye cartoon at 7.23; pop music at 7.54; video report at 8.40; behind the scenes at the Chelsea Flower Show at 9.05. The guests include Anna Massey.

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9.25 Thames news headlines. 9.30 For Schools: Religious Education. **9.47** Denmark and its capital, Copenhagen. **10.04** Sex education: courtship and intercourse. **10.21** The role of man and woman in relation to work. **10.48** The Cumbrian Lake District. **11.10** The constituents of a village. **11.22** The history of the bow and arrow. **11.40** Continuity and change in a village.

11.55 Rub a Dub Dub. An animated and up-dated version of the nursery rhyme, The Grand Old Duke of York. **12.00 Tales from Fat Tulip's Garden. 12.10 Our Backyard** (r).

12.30 Raw Energy. Leslie and Susannah Kenton continue their series *on healthy eating* with a recipe for slimmers.

1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin. Weather. **1.20 Thames news** from Robin Houston. **1.30 A Country Practice.**

2.25 On the Market. Susan Brookes and Trevor Hyett with the week's best market food buys. The guest cook is Jane Asher. **2.55 Take the High Road.** Drama set on the Scottish highland estate of Glendarroch. **3.20 Thames news headlines. 3.25 Sons and Daughters.**

3.55 Football. Finland versus England. Live coverage of the World Cup qualifying game in Helsinki. The commentator is Brian Moore with expert comment from former England player, Mike Channon.

5.55 News with John Suchet. **6.10 Thames news.**

6.35 Crossroads. The executive chalet receives its finishing touches.

7.00 Arthur C. Clarke's World of Strange Powers. In this week's edition Fairies, Phantoms and Fantastic Photographs are examined. The narrator in Anna Ford (Oracle).

7.30 Coronation Street. George Wardle takes drastic steps to protect Ivy's reputation (Oracle).

8.00 Film: Juggernaut (1974) starring Richard Harris, Omar Sharif, Anthony Hopkins and David Hemmings. Thriller about a bomber, known as Juggernaut, who has planted seven explosive devices on a luxury cruise ship. Richard Harris and his team are parachuted to the liner in an attempt to trace and defuse the bombs which are timed to explode at dawn the following day. Directed by Richard Lester.

10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet and Sandy Gall. Weather, followed by Thames news headlines.

10.30 Midweek Sport Special, presented by Jim Rosenthal. Reg Gutteridge is at the ringside in Reno, Nevada, for the fight that Larry Holmes hopes will take him nearer to Rocky Marciano's record 49 successive victories. Holmes's opponent is Carl 'The Truth' Williams. There are also highlights of this afternoon's World Cup football match in Helsinki between Finland and England; and the second leg of the Uefa Cup Final between Real Madrid and Videoton of Hungary.

12.00 Gangster Greats. Clips from classic spoofs of celebrated gangster films.

12.25 Night Thoughts with Rabbi Julia Neuberger.

Diana Rigg as Lady Dedlock: Bleak House. (BBC 2, 9.00pm)

CHOICE

● This week's *Radio Times,* showing much discernment by printing a Press comment about the visual beauty of **BLEAK HOUSE** (BBC2, 9.00pm), then goes and spoils it all by *not* telling us who it is who is working the magic every week. If *Radio Times* won't say, then I must. The photography is by Kenneth Macmillan. To him goes the credit for what I submit is the best lighting of a film since John Alcott won his Oscar for *Barry Lyndon.* Splendid though Tim Harvey's set designs are (I am thinking in particular of the squalor of Tom-all-Alone's, and the suffocating ornateness of Chesney Wold) it is the sickly candlelight and pale gaslight of the interiors, the bluish gloom of the night exteriors and the way the camera pushes in so close to faces that we can all but see the moment a thought is conceived, that perform something akin to a miracle: makes us temporarily forget the Phiz illustrations that, up to now, have been the only non-textual complement to Dickens's works that we have accepted without reservation. I think Dickens would have liked Kenneth Macmillan's pictures. I am certain he would have approved of Geoffrey Burgon's solemn waltz theme.

● **GINA: THE LAST CAMPBELL** (BBC1, 9.25pm), a profile of the speed-obsessed daughter of Donald, granddaughter of Malcolm, inevitably builds up to the moment in Nottingham last October when she came within an ace of sharing their watery fate. The nature of her do-or-die obsession is not examined beyond the statement that she has to prove to herself, and others, that she is made of the same stuff as her dead progenitors. Her luck, however, needs to be much better than theirs, and it speaks volumes for her awareness of her sense of destiny that she gains comfort from the fact that her boy-friend and co-driver, Mike Standring, is himself blessed with luck.

● Radio choice: **MRS MOFFAT, MRS MOFFAT,** Valerie Windsor's *Afternoon Play* (Radio 4, 3.00pm), follows a well-worn trail but still manages to come up with something original in its examination of the disintegrating potential of the human guilt complex. I also liked Nigel Gearing's two-hander **GRIDLOCK** (Radio 3, 7.30pm). Its denouement caught me completely by surprise.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.30 Open University: The Oil Game. **6.55** Jumpers, by Tom Stoppard. Ends at 7.20.

9.00 Ceefax.

9.38 Daytime on Two: Science: levers. **10.00** For the very young. **10.15.** Using CSE maths at work. **10.40** Mindstretchers – problems. **10.45 Ceefax. 11.00** Words and pictures. **11.17** A-level statistics: hypothesis testing. **11.39** A-level English: Chaucer *– the Dreaming Poet.*

12.05 Spanish conversation. **12.30 Ceefax. 1.38** The export trade of Barbados. **2.00** Part one of a series on North American Indians. **2.18** Sex education. For the hard of hearing. **2.40** A wildlife garden (Ceefax).

3.00 Ceefax.

3.50 Racing from Goodwood continued from BBC1. The Chichester Festival Theatre Stakes (4.05). **4.20 Ceefax.**

5.30 News summary with subtitles.

5.35 Arthur Negus Enjoys Deene Park, Northamptonshire in the company of John Bly where among the delights they enjoy is the fine hammer beamed roof of the great hall (r).

6.00 Film: The Dangerous Days of Kiowa Jones (1966) starring Robert Horton and Diane Baker. Escorting two prisoners accused of murder, Kiowa Jones encounters bounty hunters, a family out for revenge, Indians on the warpath, and a schoolteacher. Directed by Alex March.

7.40 Ebony. The final programme of the series includes an investigation into the possibilities of black management in sport, in the light of the new chairman of the Sports Council, John Smith's declared aim to recruit as many black people as necessary to help in the running of sport; there is a sample of Soca music – a cross between soul and calypso; an interview with trumpeter Hugh Musekela; and a performance by the Sabata dance group.

8.10 The Chelsea Flower Show. Peter Seabrook and Ian Titchmarsh are the guides around the grounds of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea.

9.00 Bleak House. Episode seven of the eight-part dramatisation of Charles Dickens's novel and Sergeant George is arrested for the murder of the lawyer, Tulkinghorn, and distresses his friends by refusing to engage a lawyer (Ceefax) (see Choice).

9.55 Bookmark, presented by Ian Hamilton. Shrive Naipul talks to the Peruvian novelist Mario Vargas Llosa about his new book, The War of the End of the World, and about his life There is also a profile of Keith Douglas, who was aged 24 when he was killed in Normandy three days after D-day, to coincide with the recent publication of some of his letters and prose.

10.45 Newsnight. 11.30 Weather.

11.35 Open University: The Plough and the Hoe. **12.00** Biology: Cell Movement. Ends at 12.30.

CHANNEL 4

2.15 Their Lordships' House. A repeat of last night's highlights from the House of Lords's local council debate.

2.30 Film: Chautauqua Girl (1983) A Canadian made-for-television drama, set in the 1920s, about a rugged, lonely farmer who becomes captivated by a Chautauqua Girl, a woman chosen for her good looks to promote a travelling tent show which was sometimes the only link the isolated communities had with the outside culture. Starring Janet-Laine Green and Terence Kelly.

4.30 Isaura the Girl. Part 28 (of 30) of the drama set in 19th century Brazil and Isaura decides to tell Alvaro the whole story of her circumstances and about Leoncio's murder of his wife and Tobias. Followed by **Fantastico.** The sights and sounds of modern Brazil.

5.30 Farming on Four. This week's edition examines the particular problems of farming on the urban fringe, in particular those farmers coping with life in the shadow of Milton Keynes.

6.00 Wales: Landscape and Legend. Part one of a new 12-programme series celebrating the glories of the Welsh landscape with readings from Welsh legends performed in English translation by Sian Phillips and Philip Madoc with Delyth Wyn and Gwyn Beech.

6.30 The Heritage Game. John Julius Norwich returns to Berkeley Castle in Gloucestershire, the home of Mr and Mrs Berkeley. Leslie Phillips is the celebrity putting his knowledge of antiques to the test, along with the Sotheby's expert Derek Shrub.

7.00 Channel Four News.

7.50 Comment. The political slot this week is filled by SDP politician, Michael Hancock MP for Portsmouth South.

8.00 Losing Track. A new series that examines the development of Britain's transport policy over the past 150 years, beginning with the railways covering the period from the 1820s to the 1900s.

8.30 Diverse Reports. Schools Apart is presented by Carlton Duncan, headmaster of a Bradford secondary school and a member of the recent Swann Committee on multicultural education that rejected the idea of separate schools. Duncan now thinks that separate schools are the only answer to the problems of multicultural education.

9.00 About Time. Part two of John Berger's series examining aspects and concepts of time through the ages.

10.00 Lou Grant is offered the chance of an exclusive interview with a missing business tycoon. What's the catch?

11.00 Voices. South African novelist Radine Gordimer in conversation with American critic Susan Sontag.

11.55 Their Lordships' House.

12.10 Closedown.

Radio 4

5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer.

6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for Day. 8.35 Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel.

9.00 News.

9.05 Midweek: Libby Purves.†

10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. Members of Fermanagh Gardening Society, Northern Ireland, question the experts (r).

10.30 Morning Story: 'The Ghost of an Idea' by H. R. F. Keating. Reader: Sheila Mitchell.

10.45 Daily Sevice (New Every Morning, page 89).†

11.00 News; Travel; You The Jury. Dick Taverne, QC, chairs a debate on alternative ways of funding local government.(r)

11.48 English Now. Randolph Quirk and David Crystal on the new 'Comprehensive GrammAr of the English Language'.(r)

12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice, with John Howard.

12.27 The Meisterspringer. Six-part serial by thriller writer Berkely Mather (part 5).(r) 12.55 Weather.

1.00 The World At One: News.

1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes an interview with Clive Thornton, formerly of Mirror Group Newspapers and the Abbey National Building Society. And. Sean Barrett reads Frederick Forsyth' story There are Some Days . . . .

3.00 The Afternoon Play: Mrs Moffat, Mrs Moffat, by Valerie Windsor. With Pauline Delany and Patrick Stewart. Story of a medical specialist, under much pressure, who becomes haunted by the voice of his mother's cleaning woman whom he feels he treated badly as a child (see Choice).†

3.47 Time For Verse. A selection of poems, compiled by Dannie Abse.

4.00 News; File On 4. Major issues at home and abroad.

4.40 Story Time: 'Dead Man Leading' by V. S. Pritchett (3). Reader: Michael Cochrane.

5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.

6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report.

6.30 After Henry. Comedy series starring Prunella Scales, Joan Sanderson and Benjamin Whitrow (6) Mr Right.

7.00 News.

7.05 The Archers.

7.20 Checkpoint. Roger Cook investigates listeners' experiences of suspect dealing.

7.45 Groundswell by Hugh Sykes on the declining stocks of Scottish salmon.

8.15 In Business. Peter Hobday with news, views and stories from the business world.

8.45 Analysis: The Marcos Factor. A report on the political situation in the Philippines in the twilight of President Marcos's regime.

9.30 The Corncrake and the Lysander. Finlay J. Macdonald with memories of a Hebridean boyhood.

9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on the film Witness; Carmen, at Glyndebourne; and Huguenots, at the London Museum.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: 'My Uncle Silas' – eight short stories by H. E. Bates (6) 'The Sow and Silas'. Reader: David Neal. 10.29 Weather.

10.30 The World tonight, including 11.00 Headlines.

11.15 The Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.00 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping. VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00 am Weather; Travel. 11.00-12.00 For Schools. 1.55-3.00 pm For Schools. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued) 11.00 Study on 4: View at The Top. 11.30-12.10 am OPEN University. 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-time Broadcasting.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.

7.05 Your Midweek Choice: Vivaldi's Concerto in D, RV 121 (English CO/Leppard); Monteverdi's Zefiro torna (Rogers/Partridge); Masek's Concerto in D for three harpsichords and wind octet (Hala/Bilek/Kozina/Collegium Musicum Prague under Vajnar); Verdi's Willow Song from Otello (Maria Chiara, Rosanne Creffield, Orchestra of Royal Opera House, Covent Garden); Beecham's arrangement of Handel's Sarabande, Minuet and Hornpipe (Love in Bath) played by RPO under Beecham.†8.00 News.

8.05 Your Midweek Chioce (contd): Herve's overture Mam'zelle Nitouche (Grassi conducts); Parry's Lady Radnor's Suite (City of London Sinfonia/Hickox); William Bolcom's Graceful Ghost (composer at the piano); Szmanowski's Stabat Mater (Gadulanka/Rappe/Hiolski/Polish Radio Chorus of Krakow/Polish Radio National SO under Wit.†9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composer: Suk. Pavel Stepan (piano) plays About Mother, Op 28; and Suk Quartet play the String Quartet No 2.†

10.00 Stravinsky's Dancing Dolls: LSO under Abbado play the 1911 version of the ballet Petrushka.†

10.40 Villa-Lobos: Robert Szidon, piano, plays Cirandas, 16 pieces based on Brazilian folk themes.†

11.20 Italian Music: Ulster Orchestra (under Cleobury). Spontini's overture La Vestale; Boccherini's Symphony in C minor Op 41; Martucci's Noveletta, Op 82; Respighi's Three Botticelli Pictures.†

12.15 Concert Hall: Olaf Baer (baritone) with Geoffrey Parsons (piano). Schumann's songcycle Dichterliebe, Op 48.†1.00 News.

1.05 Graham Collier: Graham Collier Music play Midnight Blue, inspired by the paintings of the American artist BarnettNewman.†

1.30 Matinee Musicale: Elgar's Wand of Youth: Suite No 2 (Ulster Orchestra/Thomson); Britten's Scherzo for four recorders (David Munrow Recorder Consort); Walton's Music for Children (LPO/Walton); Vaughan Williams's Suite for Pipes (Early Music Consort of London/Munrow); Massenet's Last Sleep of the Virgin (RPO/Beechan); Sibelius's incidental music The Tempest (RPO/Beechan).†

2.30 Beethoven: Allegri String Quartet play the Op 132 in A minor.†

3.15 Rachmaninov: Amsterdam Concertgebouw under Ashkenazy play the Symphony No 1.†

4.00 Choral Evensong: from Peterborough Cathedral: a live transmission.†4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Graham Fawcett's selections of recorded music.†

6.30 Choral Voices: another in this series featuring amateur singers. Tonight: Exeter University Singers, with Paul Reed (organ). Britten's Te Deum; Kodaly's Jesus and the Traders; Bax's This Worldes Joie; Horovitz's Shakespare Songs; Hatton's Absence.†

7.00 International Young Artists: Ilkka Paananen (piano) plays Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody No 13 in A minor and Englund's Introduzione e Toccata; Petteri Salomaa (bass-baritone) sings works by W Peterson-Berger and Erik Bergman. With Olli Mustonen (piano).†

7.30 Gridlock: play by Nigel Gearing. With Alan Rickman and Anna Nygh. The story of a couple who have met in the same hotel for 28 years to recharge their friendship and their love. Then, the woman makes a surprise announcement.† (See Choice).

8.00 Victor Hugo Centenary Concert: Felicity Lott (soprano) with Graham Johnson (piano) Part one. Bizet's Adieux de l'hôtesse arabe; La chanson du fou; Guitare; Franck's S'il est un charmant gazon; Fauré's Le papillon et la fleur; Lalo's Puisqu'ici bas; Guitare; Oh, quand je dors; Dieu qui sourit.†

8.35 Six Continents: Ian McDougall with foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC.

8.55 Concert: part two. Gounod's Serenade. Wagner's L'attente; Liszt's Oh, quand je dors; Comment, disaient-ils; Saint-Saens's La financée du timbalier; and White's Chantez, chantez, jeune inspirée.†

9.30 Bach Suites: Virginia Black (harpsichord) plays French Suite No 6 in E major, BWV 817; and English Suite No 2 in A minor, BWV 807.†

10.10 BBC Welsh SO (under Owain Arwel Hughes). Patterson's Sinfonia for strings; Hoddinott's Symphony No 5.†

11.00 Isabelle Flory and Gordon Black: violin and piano recital. Schubert's Duo in A, D 574) and Fauré's Sonata in A, Op 13.†

11.57 News. Until 12.00.
VHF only: Open University. 6.35 am to 6.55. The Romantic Poets.

Radio 2

On medium wave. † also VHF stereo. News on the hour. Headlines 5.30 am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. 4.00 am ColinBerry.† 6.00 Ray Moore.† 8.05 Ken Bruce.† 10.30 Sue Cook.† 1.05 pm Sports Desk; David Jacobs† incl 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford† incl 3.02 Sports Desk. 3.30 Music All The Way.† 4.00 World Cup Soccer Special (Finland v England at Helsinki). 5.50 David Hamilton † (joining vhf). 6.05 John Dunn† incl 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 7.30 Cricket. 8.00 String Sound.† 8.30 Syd Lawrence in Concert.† 9.00 RAF Memorial Concert. Excerpts from last night's concert by the Massed Bands of the Royal Air Force at the Barbican, London. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Fosdyke Saga II. 10.15 The Houghton Weavers. 10.30 Hubert Gregg. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 1.00 am Bill Rennels presents Nightride.† 3.00 Vernon and Maryetta Midgley.† 3.30-4.00 Space Force. Starring Nigel Stock and Barry Foster in 'The Red Planet' (2).

Radio 1

On medium wave. † also VHF stereo. News on the half hour from 6.30 am until 9.30 pm and at 12 midnight. 6.00 am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies incl 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 2.30 Steve Wright. 5.00 Bruno Brookes incl 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.30 Janice Long. 10.00-12.00 John Peel.† VHF RADIOS 1 & 2 4.00 am With Radio 2. 4.00 pm News. 4.02 Sports Desk. 4.55 David Hamilton incl 5.05 Sports Desk. 6.05 With Radio 2. 10.00 With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00 am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Omnibus 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Report On Religion 7.45 That's Trad. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Classical Record Review. 8.30 Four Songwriters. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 It's All Been Done Before. 10.00 News Summary. 10.01 Cathedral Heritage. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 Hunger. 11.25 A Letter From Wales. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Nature Notebook. 12.25 The Farming World. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 British String Quartets. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 Report on Religion. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Letter From Tokyo. 3.30 Blandings. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Counterpoint. 7.45 Good Books. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Assignment. 9.00 News Summary. 9.01 Network UK. 9.15 International Soccer Special. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today 10.25 A Letter from Wales. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Good Books. 11.30 Top Twenty. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Blandings. 1.00 News Summary. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Waveguide. 1.40 Book Choice. 1.45 Monitor. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Assignment. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 4.45 Financial News. 5.45 The World Today.

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BBC 1 Wales. 1.27pm-1.30 News of Wales headlines. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales headlines. 5.35-6.00 Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 Gloria. 12.10am-12.15 News and weather. Scotland. 9.20am-10.20 The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. 10.50-1.00pm The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. 1.27-1.30 The Scottish News. 2.15-3.55 The General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. 6.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland. 12.10am-12.15 News and weather. Northern Ireland. 1.27pm-1.30 Northern Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 5.35-5.40 Today's Sport. 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 Taxi. 12.10am-12.25 Jobstart. 12.25-12.30 News and weather. England. 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazine.

HTV WEST As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Something to Treasure. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.25 Hart to Hart. 6.10-6.35 News. 12.00 Music Special. 12.30am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.10pm-6.35 Wales at Six.

TSW As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Keep it in the Family. 1.20-1.30 News. 6.10-6.35 Today South West. 12.00 Postscript, Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

S4C Starts 1.00pm Isaura the Slave Girl. 2.00 Ffiabalam. 2.15 Their Lordships' House. 2.30 Interval. 2.35 HYN o FYD. 2.55 Interval. 3.05 For What Its Worth 3.35 How Wars End. 4.05 Max Headroom Show. 4.50 Wil Cwac Cwac. 4.55 Hanner Awr Fawr. 5.30 Addams Family. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Fantomas. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Gorseuon Hywel Gwynfryn. 8.00 O Bedwar Ban. 8.35 Y Byd ar Bedwar. 9.10 Film: Dark Night of the Scarecrow. Vigilantes are murdered one by one. 10.25 Diverse Reports. 11.25 Black on Black. 12.25am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Whose Baby? 1.20-1.30 News. 6.00-6.35 North Tonight. 12.00 News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except 12.30pm-1.00 Calendar Lunchtime Live. 1.20 Calendar. 1.30-2.25 Falcon Crest. 6.10-6.35 Calendar. 12.00 Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 News. 2.55 Bygones. 3.25-3.55 Young Doctors. 6.10-6.35 Lookaround. 12.00 News, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 11.55am-12.00 Professor Kitzel. 12.30pm-1.00 Sullivans. 1.20-1.30 Granada reports. 3.25-3.55 Young Doctors. 6.10 Crossroads. 6.35-7.00 Granada reports. 12.00 Freeze Frame. 12.25am Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Bygones. 1.20 News. 1.25-1.30 Where The Jobs Are. 6.10 News. 6.12 Crossroads. 6.35-7.00 Northern Life. 12.00 Prayer is . . . , Closedown.

TVS As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Sullivans. 1.20 News. 1.30 Whose Baby? 2.00-2.25 Look Who's Talking. 3.25-3.55 Young Doctors. 6.10-6.35 Coast to Coast. 12.00 That's Hollywood. 12.10am Company, Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.20pm-1.00 Something to Treasure. 1.20 News. 1.30-2.25 Simon and Simon. 6.10 Crossroads. 6.35-7.00 News. 12.00 Portrait of a Legend: Dionne Warwide. 12.30am Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: 11.55am-12.00 Ali Bongo. 12.30pm-1.00 Keep it in the Family. 1.20-1.30 News. 6.10-6.35 Channel Report. 12.00 Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Something to Treasure. 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 3.25-3.55 Born to Run. 6.10-6.35 Good Evening Ulster. 11.40 Coral Reef. 12.05am Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Vintage Quiz. 1.20-1.30 News. 6.10-6.35 About Anglia. 11.40 Sad Café Live. 12.40am Christians in Sport, Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Never Mind the Handicap. 1.20 News. 1.30 Job Spot. 1.35 Poseidon Files. 2.35 Nova. 3.25 Report Back. 4.05 Harlem Globetrotters. 4.24-5.55 Around the World with Benny and Lenny. 6.10-6.35 News and Scotland Today. 10.30 Film: Soylent Green (Charlton Heston). 12.15am Late Call, Closedown.

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Tebbit accuses Pym group of seeking easy life

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

A strong counter-attack on Mr Francis Pym and the doubters in the Conservative Party was made last night by Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Industry, who said the Government's critics favoured the soft option and the easy life.

Levelling his own charge of political cowardice against the unnamed adversaries in his sights, he said many of the country's problems could be traced back to the reluctance of previous governments to take the difficult decisions and risk unpopularity in the short term.

"Those who care more about the state of the opinion polls than the state of the nation would preach the same message today," he said.

Both Mr Pym and Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy and the Cabinet's leading dissident, served in a previous government, as did Mrs Margaret Thatcher. Mr Tebbit, who did not, was able with a freedom denied to the Prime Minister to dismiss the Heath, Wilson and Callaghan administrations in one phrase.

He would not return to "the failed policies of the 1970s", he said. "We tried incomes policies, corporatism, even socialism and none of them worked."

Mr Tebbit, speaking at the annual dinner in London of the Confederation of British Industry, also referred to the importance of resisting political pressure to protect domestic industry, except in response to unfair trading practices.

But it was of Mr Pym and his friends that he observed: "Some people will never learn. To abandon our ecomomic policy now would be the worst service we could render."

The issues to which Mr Tebbit was replying were heard again last night at a meeting of the Conservative backbench finance committee. Several MPs voiced again their anxiety about unemployment levels.

Employment policy was also raised with the Prime Minister by officers of the senior committee of Conservative backbenchers, the 1922 Committee. But their questioning, at their regular meeting, which lasted for less than an hour, was said to have been inhibited by the recent Pym "rebellion".

The Prime Minister was said to have done most of the talking and to have made it plain that the economic "adjustments" which the Pym group seeks will not be made.

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Mansion House Square

1968: Public exhibition of the £25 million scheme at the Royal Exchange. Mr Rudolph Palumbo (Peter's father) says that Lloyd's Bank Overseas Division will use the building as its headquarters. Lord Holford, who worked on the design with Mies van der Rohe, agrees that the plan is controversial and it receives a mixed response from the public.

1969: The Court of Common Council agrees in principle to the scheme, but decides not to grant planning permission "at this stage for a development which would leave for a considerable period an incomplete square", thus effectively blocking the plan. It says that the developer must have control of the site so that work could be carried out as a continuously staged operation. The GLC, supported by the Royal Fine Art Commission, says that the tower should be no taller than 200ft. A poll of people visiting the exhibition the previous year shows "a fairly substantial majority" in favour. Mies van der Rohe dies.

1982: After 20 years spent acquiring the site, Mr Peter Palumbo submits a new planning application, to praise from Sir John Summerson, the architectural historian, and to dismay from conservationists. By July, Mr Palumbo owns 12 of the 13 freeholds and 345 of the 348 leaseholds on the site. Building costs are now estimated at £30 million. But in September, the City's Court of Common Council unanimously rejects the scheme.

1984: Save Britain's Heritage publishes an alternative scheme, by Mr Terry Farrell, which would retain the nine listed buildings and refurbish them. A two-month public inquiry at Guildhall is chaired by Mr Stephen Marks, at which the scheme is supported by Mr Michael Manser, RIBA President, Mr James Stirling, Mr Richard Rogers and most of the architectural establishment. Ranged against them are the City, the GLC, the Royal Fine arts Commission, the Victorian Society and Save Britain's Heritage. In a speech to architects at Hampton Court Palace in May, the Prince of Wales describes the tower as "another giant glass stump better suited to downtown Chicago than the the City of London".

1985: Inspector's report to Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, recommends AGAINST the scheme. *The Times* discloses in April that the Prime Minister is taking a keen interest in his decision. She subsequently denies on three occasions that she is interfering in Mr Jenkin's decision (which would be illegal), although admitting she visited the Department of the Environment to inspect the model and plans.

Saviours of the sea honoured

Bravery rewarded: Four Royal National Lifeboat Institution men, decorated for gallantry at a ceremony yesterday at the Royal Festival Hall, London, on board the RNLI's latest Tyne-class boat, which was moored at Festival Pier. The four are (from left): Coxswain Donald McKay, of Wick, Caithness (bronze medal); Coxswain David Clemence, Ilfracombe, north Devon (bronze); Coxswain Mechanic Peter Mitchell, Lizard-Cadgwith, Cornwall (bronze); and Coxswain John Martin, Hastings, East Sussex (bronze). Photograph: John Manning.

Brittan heckled by prison officers

Continued from page 1

places would be found by speeding the flow of inmates to Wayland, a new prison in Norfolk, to be officially opened next week. But most space will be found by other moves.

Wetherby, a youth custody centre in Yorkshire was to have been closed for refurbishing for use again in some years time but is now to be kept open.

A new wing is to be opened at Dartmoor. Morton Hall, on the borders of Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire, mothballed as a former borstal, is being reopened as a training prison in the second highest security category to hold about 150 inmates.

Other plans include bringing into use two new establishments earlier than intended, Stocken in Leicestershire, and Thorn Cross, Lancashire.

The 240 officers are being recruited earlier than expected out of 4,000 additional staff to the service by the end of 1988, principally to man new establishments. The prospect of an end to overcrowding by 1990 was a real one, Mr Brittan said.

Mr H. Lydiate, branch secretary at Maidstone Prison which holds lifers and other long term prisoners, said the branch had served notice of industrial action on the governor because of staff shortages. The Prison Department said that officers who did no obey instruction would be sent home without pay.

Williams denies discredit to Foot or Healey

Mrs Shirley Williams, president of the Social Democratic Party, denied yesterday that she had meant to imply anything discreditable in her comments on Sunday about attempts made by Mr Michael Foot and Mr Denis Healey to persuade Mr William Rodgers and herself not to leave the Labour Party in 1981 (George Hill writes).

"I don't think it was discreditable, but clearly they were very anxious to keep us in the party", she said, after Mr Foot's description of it as a "misrepresentation" of her claims on Sunday that offers of high party position were made as incentives to stay.

Letter from Moscow

Comrade Crank on the end of the line

The news that the Soviet Union is to quintuple the number of telephones by the end of the century – announced in *Pravda* the other day – strikes fear in the hearts of Western reporters here, even though the telephone is an essential tool of the news business.

The country certainly needs the Politburo's new communications programme, since there are only 28 million phones for a population of just over 276 million.

The Moscow telephone system was installed in 1882 by Messrs Bell and could do with an overhaul, not to mention the reintroduction of direct dialling overseas (abolished two years ago).

On the other hand, quintupling the number of phones means quintupling the number of wrong numbers and nuisance calls. At *The Times* we are asked at least once a day whether we repair televisions or sell sausages (the answer in both cases is no, regrettably).

Even more peculiar to Russia than wrong numbers are the nuisance calls from patently unbalanced individuals who phone Western correspondents at all hours with rambling and incoherent tales of injustice, and sometimes accost you on the street.

Some Westerners believe such incidents are officially inspired or encouraged just to make the life of the foreign reporter more difficult. But the most common explanation is that Russian eccentrics have no one else to turn to. Like any other society, the Soviet Union has its fair share of eccentrics, but here they have no legitimate outlet.

Every utterance and activity is strictly controlled, and fringe behaviour is frowned on. Instead of phoning Moscow radio, writing to *Pravda* or standing for some lost cause in the Supreme Soviet elections, your average Soviet nut tends to pick up the phone and dial a Western correspondent. One British reporter used to call Moscow "the fruitcake capital of the world".

How the callers get hold of the numbers is a mystery, since there is no readily available telephone directory (phone numbers are a state secret).

The problem is that there are numerous genuine grievances in Russia, including human rights violations, and cases of real injustice have to be sifted from the fringe element.

When the voice at the end of the telephone says "we must meet" – meaning that the information he has to impart cannot be given over the phone or even within four walls – the reporter cannot risk assuming that the caller is unhinged.

Your correspondent can recall wasting an entire afternoon walking round a park with a man who wished urgently to inform the West that there was a world conspiracy against him.

On the other hand, many Russians – and not only Jewish "refuseniks" – have genuine stories of political persecution, and it is difficult to explain to such people that their grievances are not necessarily "newsworthy".

Moscow reporters, moreover, are haunted by the memory of a colleague who agreed to meet a disgruntled Soviet official from a Black Sea resort, but was not convinced by his story.

In conspiratorial whispers the official revealed details of scandal and corruption which could easily have been the product of feverish fantasy. Not long afterwards it emerged in the Soviet press that the details were all true.

There is also the cautionary tale of the Western reporter who was driven to distraction by repeated phone calls from a well known Moscow eccentric on a particularly busy day. When the telephone rang for the twentieth successive time, he hurled himself at it and in a series of Anglo-Saxon oaths told the caller what he thought of him.

After a stunned silence at the other end, a hesitant, well-bred voice said mildly: "Hello, this is the British Ambassador here… is anything the matter?"

Richard Owen

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen presents new Colours to the 1st and 2nd Battalions Coldstream Guards, on Horse Guards Parade, 11.30: The Duchess of Gloucester attends the presentation.

The Prince of Wales visits The Crossway Housing Co-operative, Crossway Court, Gosforth, 10.15; and visits Northbourne Street, Elswick, Newcastle upon Tyne, 11.15.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, opens 'By Beat of Drum', an exhibition to commemorate the British Army, Ravensdowne Barracks, Berwick-upon-Tweed, 12.

The Duchess of Gloucester, Chief Patron, Women Caring Trust, attends a concert at Lambeth Palace, SE1, 7.25.

Princess Michael of Kent, as Patron, presents awards at the Horse Rangers Association Annual Awards Day, Royal Mews, Hampton Court Palace, 2.30.

Exhibitions in progress

Spring into Summer: Work by the Oxford Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers: the Arts Centre, Town Hall, Bampton, Oxon; Tues to Sat 10.30 to 1 and 2.30 to 5, Sun 2.30 to 4.30, closed Mon and Wed (ends June 8).

The Natural History of Central Region: Stirling Smith Art Gallery and Museum, 40 Albert Place, Stirling; Wed to Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 8).

Paintings and drawings by Godfrey Meggitt, Fiona Millais, Fay Llewellyn and sculpture by Andrew Waits: Linton Court Gallery, Duke St, Settle, North Yorks; Tues, Fri and Sat 11 to 5, Sun 2 to 5, closed Mon, Thurs and Wed (ends June 16).

A City at War: Birmingham 1939-1945: Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Sq, Birmingham; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 1).

Carte de Visite: photographs from the 1860's to 1890's; Stills Gallery, 105 High St, Edinburgh; Tues to Sat 12.30 to 6 (ends June 2).

The Whistler Inheritance: 60 prints selected from Glasgow University's collection; Hunterian Art Gallery, Glasgow University, Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 9.30 to 1 (ends June 8).

Clock and watchmaking today; Prescot Museum, 34 Church St, Prescot, Merseyside; Tues to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends June 23).

Music

Concert by the Orwell Ensemble: Countess of Huntingdon Church, Ely, Cambs, 7.30.

Concert by the Northern Festival Brass; Birmingham Town Hall, 1.

Organ recital by Andrew Millington; Malvern Priory, 7.30.

Blandford Music Week: Organ recital by Michael Emery, 1.10; and a concert by the Cornel Music Group, 7.30; Blandford Parish Church, Dorset.

Dolton and Dowland Festival: Harpischord recital by Sharon Gould; Hilliers, Dolton, Devon, 8.

Concert by the Scottish National Orchestra; The Cinema, East Kilbride, 7.30.

Schubert Festival: Piano recital by Benjamin Frith, 1; and a piano recital by Bernard Roberts, 7.45; Crucible Studio, Sheffield.

Brighton Festival: Recital by Michael Pearce (baritone) and Jane Dodd (piano); Concert by the Chilingirian String Quartet; Gardner Centre, 7.45.

Delius Festival: Recital by Tasmin Little (violin) and Vanessa Latarche (piano), Library Theatre, 1; and concert by the Airedale Symphony Orchestra with Ian Flint (piano), St George's Hall, 7.30; Bradford.

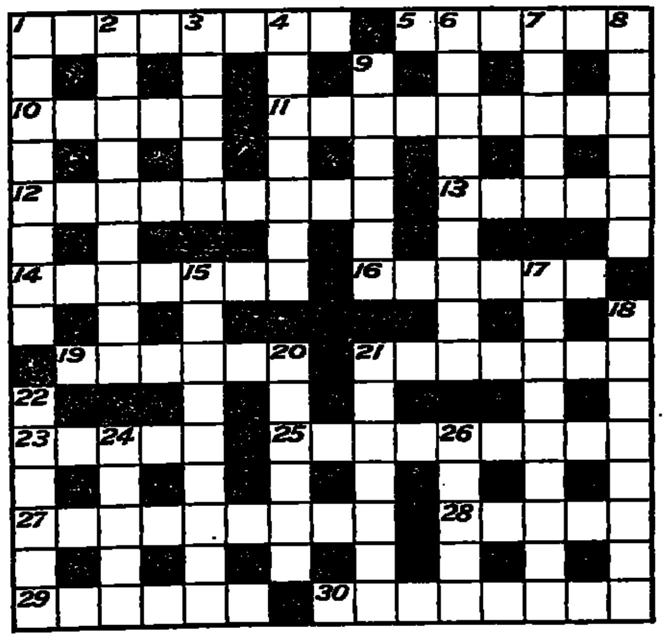
Talks, Lectures

The Impressionist Revolution by Andrew Greg; Laing Art Gallery, Higham Place, Newcastle upon Tyne, 12.30.

Daddi, by John Dick; National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh, 1.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,743

This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 10 per cent of the competitors at this year's Glasgow regional final of the Collins Dictionaries Times Crossword Championship.



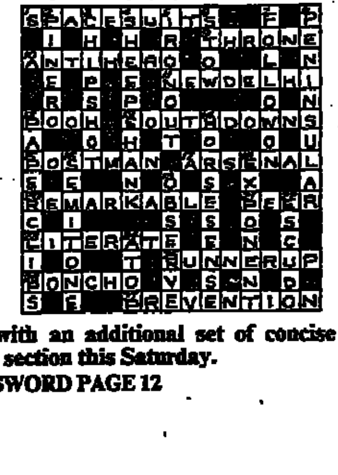
ACROSS

1 Trial by television – watch for the reaction here! (4-4).
5 Vague amount to take away from a Chinese? (3.3).
10 Flower neat to see (2-3).
11 Buzzer to be sounded by beadle (6-3).
12 Disease affecting horses' stifles (9).
13 A place to stay without books is little short of hell (5).
14 Arranged a centre for replay (2-5).
16 Square in Melbourne (6).
19 Aim in a high church feature (6).
21 OK for one pleasing to the ear (7).
23 Country without a maiden lady (5).
25 Tempestuous batting by Pope, possibly (9).
27 Clothed like those who are probably used to being dressed (9).
28 Eager to have love in abundance (5).
29 Cover extraordinary seance (6).
30 A stone made that mark, yes (8).

DOWN

1 Bags a pair, usually (8).
2 Diaphanous cape offered in Kentish Town (9).
3 Possibly a plain-sounding name for antiques (5).
4 New Bible with an Old Testament? It's a collector's item! (7).
6 Those employed in Satanic mills, according to Isaac Watts? (4,5).
7 When climbing, Smollett lost one shoe (5).
8 Cereal and nut mixture for mule is mashed (6).
9 Told jokes, perhaps, admittedly second-hand (6).
15 She prescribed what men like as a lotion perhaps (5,4).
17 Sterne's broker goes to jug (5,4).
18 No room Underneath the Arches for this policeman (8).
20 It contained a mysterious Russian riddle, said Churchill (6).
21 The first Scotsman to surface? (7).
22 Some say Whig country extends to half Kent (6).
24 What can ail I *ac*? Part of the hip bone (5).
26 Formerly a light weight in demand (5).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,742



The Times Jumbo Crossword with an additional set of concise clues will appear in the *Saturday* section this Saturday.

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 12

Chelsea show

The Chelsea Flower Show is open to the public from today until Friday, May 24.

Times of opening and admission charges: Today: 8am to 3.30pm, £10 entry fee, and 3.30pm to 8pm, £8; Tomorrow: 8am to 3.30pm £8, and 3.30pm to 8pm, £6; Friday: 8am to 5pm, £6.

There is no re-admission on any day.

For their own safety, there is no admission for children under five years of age. There are facilities for handicapped people.

Royal mausoleum

The Royal Mausoleum at Frogmore, where Queen Victoria and other members of the Royal Family are buried, will be open to the public today from 11am to 4pm. The Mausoleum, in Windsor Great Park, is opened annually for one day only and admission is free.

New books – hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:
Alessandro Algardi, by Jennifer Montagu (Yale, two volumes, £65)
Alfred Gilbert, by Richard Dorment (Yale, £19.95)
An Orderly Man, by Dirk Bogarde (Chatto & Windus, £8.95)
George Grosz, by Hans Hess (Yale, £25, paperback, £10.95)
Heritage, Civilization and the Jews, by Abba Eban (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £14.95)
London under London, A Subterranean Guide, by Richard Trench and Ellis Hillman (John Murray, £14.95)
Nineteenth-Century Sculpture, by H. W. Janson (Thames & Hudson, £35)
Splendours of The Raj, British Architecture in India 1660-1947, by Philip Davies (John Murray, £25)
The Country House Remembered, Recollections of Life Between the Wars, edited by Merlin Watersen (Routledge & Kegan Paul, £12.95)
The Politics of British Foreign Policy in the Era of Disraeli and Gladstone, by Marvin Swartz (Macmillan, £25)
PH

Roads

Wales and West: A449: Contraflow at Mitchel Troy between Monmouth and Raglan in Gwent. A5: Single line traffic (24 hours) between Bangor and Betws-y-coed, Gwynedd; temporary lights S of Bethesda and at Capel Curig. A31: Subway construction at Tricketts Cross between Ferndown and Ringwood, Dorset.

The North: M6: Lanes closed on both carriageways between junctions 32 (M55) and 33 (A6 Lancaster S); access to Forton services maintained; care required. M63: Resurfacing between junction 7 and 9 Greater Manchester; slip roads at junction 8 (Sale) closed. A534: Major resurfacing work at Haslington, E of Crewe, Cheshire; temporary traffic lights in use; Scotland: M74: Southbound carriageway closed between junction 2 and 1 (Larkhill to Lanark) Strathaven; contraflow on northbound. A82: Road widening N of Letterfinlay; single line traffic control (8am and 8pm).

Information supplied by the AA

Best sherries

In a blind tasting of 22 fino sherries, the following four were universally praised and judged outstanding:

Don Zoilo Very Old Fino (Harrods, Fortnum & Mason, Gerard Harris of Aston Clinton and Yorkshire Fine Wine), £5.75; **Domecq La Ina** (Threshers, Peter Diminic, Oddbins, Arthur Cooper, Augustus Barnett and Victoria Wine), £4-£4.30; **Duke of Wellington Fino** (Phipps Johnson of Amersham, Wighams of Ayr, Malmaison Wine Club), £3.50; **Tio Pepe** (Budgen, Safeway, Sainsbury, Co-Op, Augustus Barnett, Peter Dominic, Keymarket), £3.69-£4.15.

Source: *Decanter*, May 1985.

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The papers

The Daily Star, commenting on the debate in the Commons on shop opening hours and Sunday trading, says the only surprise is that it has taken "our law makers" so long to reform the Shop Hours Act. It adds: "There is no doubt that shoppers want the changes, and the customer is always supposed to be right."

The Daily Express, commenting on the jail sentences given to 25 football "hooligans" at the Old Bailey yesterday, says: "These sentences are meant to deter. Would-be trouble makers will have no trouble in getting the judge's message: Enough is Enough."

"The Mirror says: "For years, the thugs of the terraces have escaped with stern warnings but soft sentences. But the punishment handed out to the Cambridge rioters sets a new trend."

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Transport Bill, completion of remaining stages.
Lords (2.15): Debates on tourism and on the Arab-Israeli dispute. Tobacco Products (Advertising) Bill, second reading.

Anniversaries

Births: William Sturgeon, electrical engineer, Whittington, Lancashire, 1783; Richard Wagner, Leipzig, 1813; Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Edinburgh, 1859.

Deaths: Constantine the Great, Roman Emperor 312-337, Nicomedia (Izmit, Turkey), 337; Maria Edgeworth, Edgeworthstown, Ireland, 1849; Alessandro Mazoni, poet, novelist and patriot, Milan, 1873; Victor Hugo, Paris, 1885; Augusta Gregory, Lady Gregory, playwright, poet and director of the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, Coole Park, Gort, Ireland, 1932.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.92	1.82
Austria Sch	28.40	27.00
Belgium Fr	81.20	77.40
Canada $	1.805	1.725
Denmark Kr	14.50	13.80
Finland Mkk	8.44	8.04
France Fr	12.25	11.70
Germany Dm	4.02	3.84
Greece Dr	173.00	163.00
Hong Kong $	10.30	9.76
Ireland Pt	1.293	1.233
Italy Lira	2570.00	2460.00
Japan Yen	332.00	317.00
Netherlands Gld	4.55	4.34
Norway Kr	11.63	11.08
Portugal Esc	225.00	214.00
South Africa Rd	3.15	2.76
Spain Pta	223.00	212.00
Sweden Kr	11.70	11.15
Switzerland Fr	3.39	3.23
USA $	1.33	1.27
Yugoslavia Dnr	335.00	315.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 373.9.

London: The *FT* index closed up 4.2 at 1020.2.

Weather

The trough of low pressure over S England and Wales will persist, drifting N.

London, SE, central S, SW, NW, central N England, Midlands, Wales, Channel Islands: Thundery showers some bright or sunny intervals; winds variable light; max temp 19C (66F).

East Anglia, E England: Rather cloudy thundery showers; wind mainly variable light; max temp 17C (63F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Bright or sunny intervals showers developing, heavy at times; wind E moderate; max temp 18C (64F).

NE England, Borders: Rather cloudy, scattered heavy showers; wind E moderate; max temp 16C (61F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NW Scotland: Rather cloudy light rain or drizzle at times; wind N moderate; max temp 12C (54F).

Glasgow, Central Highlands, Argyll: Rather cloudy some bright or sunny intervals; wind NE moderate; max temp 16C (61F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Rather cloudy light rain or drizzle at times; wind N moderate; max temp 9C (48F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Unsettled.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel: Wind W to SW light; showers; visibility moderate with fog patches; sea smooth. St George's Channel: Wind variable mainly W light or *moderate occasional rain;* visibility, moderate with fog patches; sea slight. Irish Sea: Wind mainly NE light or moderate occasional rain; visibility moderate with fog patches; sea slight. Irish Sea: Wind mainly NE light or moderate occasional rain; visibility moderate with fog patches; sea, slight.

Sun rises: 4.59 am
Sun sets: 8.56 pm
Moon rises: 8.12 am
Moon sets: 12.07 am tomorrow
First quarter: May 27.

Lighting-up time

London 9.26 pm to 4.26 am
Bristol 9.36 pm to 4.36 am
Edinburgh 10.02 pm to 4.17 am
Manchester 9.44 pm to 4.27 am
Penzance 9.41 pm to 4.56 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	s	13	55	Guernsey	r	10	50
Birmingham	r	8	46	Inverness			
Blackpool	f	14	57	Jersey	f	13	65
Bristol	r	11	52	London	c	16	61
Cardiff	r	11	52	Manchester	r	9	48
Edinburgh	c	10	50	Newcastle	c	8	46
Glasgow	c	10	50	Ronaldsway	c	12	54

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6 pm, 68 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.42in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 3.7. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1008.2 millibars and falling
1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Carrigans, 19C (66F); lowest day max: Nottingham, Cape Wrath, 8C (46F); highest rainfall: Brize Norton, 2.36 in; highest sunshine: Tiree, 15.2hr.

ENIGMA

This week's Enigma Message is 436

and today's clue is as follows:

2. Turn left at the junction exit on to a road which has the same number as the number of miles you travelled on the motorway.

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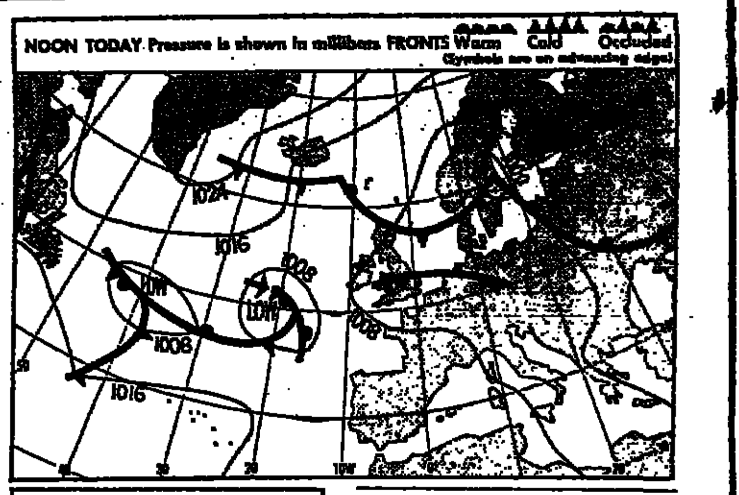

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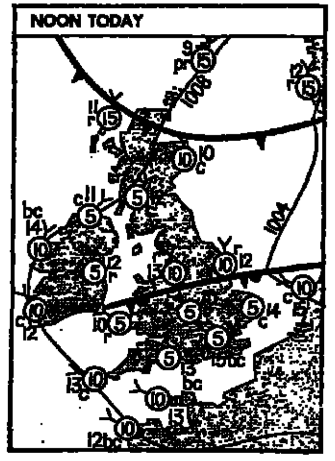

b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures centigrade.

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	4 01	6 7	4 19	6 8
Aberdeen	3.32	3.8	3 50	3 7
Avonmouth	9.33	12 1	9 43	12 0
Belfast	1 10	3.1	1 25	2 9
Cardiff	9 18	1.2	9 28	11.2
Devonport	8.07	5.0	8 21	5 1
Dover	1 01	6.1	1 28	6 1
Falmouth	7 37	4 8	7 51	4 9
Glasgow	2 58	4 6	3 26	4 4
Harwich	1 56	3 8	2.15	3 8
Holyhead	12 20	5.2	12 40	5 0
Hull	8.33	6 8	8 55	6 7
Ilfracombe	8 13	8 4	8.28	8 5
Leith	4 44	5 1	5.05	5 1
Liverpool	1 14	8.8	1.34	8.7
Lowestoft	11 47	2 3	–	–
Margate	2 08	4 5	2.23	4.5
Milford Haven	8.28	6 4	8 41	6 5
Newquay	7 18	6 5	7 31	6.5
Oban	7 57	3 6	7 59	3 7
Penzance	7 08	5 1	7.21	5.2
Portland	9 10	1 7	9 23	1 8
Portsmouth	1 27	4 3	1 55	4.2
Shoreham	1 07	5 7	1.33	5.6
Southampton	12.52	4 3	1 16	4 2
Swansea	8.40	8.7	8 49	8.7
Tees	5 51	5.0	6.13	4 9
Walton-on-Naze	1.45	3 9	2.03	4.0

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	0.8	–	8	46	Dull
Bridlington	1.2	.02	9	48	Dull
Cromer	–	–	–	–	–
Lowestoft	4.9	.01	16	61	Sunny pm
Clacton	5.0	–	14	57	Sunny pm
Margate	–	–	17	63	Bright
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	4.5	.04	15	59	Sunny pm
Hastings	5.7	.09	15	59	Fog am
Eastbourne	5.8	.03	15	59	Rain am
Brighton	3.2	.08	13	55	Fog am
Worthing	3.2	.14	13	55	Rain am
Littlehmptn	3.2	.08	14	57	Bright
Bognor R	4.5	.12	14	57	Shwrs am
Southsea	2.3	.06	13	55	Cloudy
Sandown	3.2	.06	15	59	Sunny pm
Shanklin	2.7	.04	15	59	Sunny pm
Bournemth	–	.13	12	54	Rain
Poole	–	.04	12	54	Rain am
Swanage	–	–	12	54	Cloudy
Weymouth	–	–	12	54	Fog
Exmouth	0.1	.01	14	57	Fog pm
Teignmouth	0.2	.02	14	57	Fog
Torquay	0.6	.03	14	57	Cloudy
Falmouth	0.1	.22	15	59	Cloudy
Penzance	0.5	.05	15	59	Cloudy
Jersey	0.4	.09	15	59	Rain
Guernsey	–	.31	12	54	Rain
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	–	.26	13	55	Dull
Newquay	–	.02	14	57	Dull

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	F	
Ilfracombe	0.6	.22	13	55	Cloudy
Tenby	–	.24	15	59	Rain
Colwyn Bay	–	.07	12	54	Cloudy
Southport	0.2	–	12	54	Cloudy
Morecambe	2.1	.07	16	61	Rain
Douglas	4.0	–	16	61	Sunny pm
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London (Ctrl)	3.7	.42	17	63	Thunder
B'ham (Airpt)	–	.34	9	48	Rain
Bristol (Ctrl)	–	1.09	12	54	Rain
Cardiff (Ctrl)	–	.18	11	52	Rain
Anglesey	0.2	.18	13	55	Rain am
B'pool (Airpt)	1.5	.01	15	59	Showers
Manchester	0.1	.25	10	50	Rain
Nottingham	–	.34	8	46	Drizzle
N'ctl-n-Tyne	–	–	9	48	Cloudy
Carlisle	7.6	–	14	57	Bright
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	3.8	–	11	52	Bright
Prestwick	9.7	–	15	59	Sunny
Glasgow	4.1	–	15	59	Sunny pm
Tiree	15.2	–	14	57	Sunny
Stornoway	12.1	–	10	50	Bright
Lerwick	0.5	–	9	48	Cloudy
Wick	–	.04	8	46	Rain am
Kinloss	–	.02	11	52	Rain am
Aberdeen	0.1	–	10	50	Cloudy
St. Andrews	2.1	–	11	52	Cloudy
Edinburgh	0.6	–	12	54	Cloudy
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	11.2	–	16	61	Sunny

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t thunder.

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	c	18	66	Cologne	f	16	61	Majorca	s	21	70	Rome	c	20	68
Akrotiri	s	26	79	Copenhgn	s	19	66	Malaga	s	25	77	Salzburg	c	15	59
Alexandria				Corfu	s	31	88	Malta	s	26	79	Sao Paulo*	c	25	77
Algiers	s	23	73	Dublin	c	10	50	Melbourne	s	13	55	S Francisco*	s	17	63
Amsterdam	s	20	68	Dubrovnik	c	27	81	Mexico C*	f	21	70	Santiago*	r	9	48
Athens	s	20	68	Faro	s	18	64	Miami*	f	32	90	Seoul	c	18	64
Bahrain	f	37	99	Florence*	r	18	64	Milan	f	21	70	Singapore	f	29	84
Barbados				Frankfurt	c	16	61	Montreal*	f	26	79	Stockholm	s	10	50
Barcelona	s	18	64	Funchal	c	18	64	Moscow	c	7	45	Strasbourg	f	20	68
Beirut				Geneva	r	13	55	Munich	r	13	55	Sydney	c	15	59
Belgrade	s	27	81	Gibraltar	s	20	68	Nairobi*	c	22	72	Tangier	f	19	66
Berlin	s	22	72	Helsinki	f	7	45	Naples	s	29	84	Tel Aviv	s	25	77
Bermuda*	s	25	77	Hong Kong	c	29	84	New Delhi	s	37	99	Tenerife	s	22	72
Biarritz	f	16	61	Innsbruck	f	20	68	New York*	s	26	79	Tokyo	c	15	59
Boulogne	fg	11	52	Istanbul	s	22	72	Nice	s	18	64	Toronto*	r	19	66
Bordeaux	f	16	61	Jiddah	s	39	102	Oslo	s	16	61	Tunis	c	20	68
Brussels	f	19	66	Jo'burg*	s	19	66	Paris	f	16	61	Valencia	s	22	72
Budapest	c	23	73	Karachi	s	33	91	Peking	s	29	84	Vancouver*	c	14	57
Buen Aires*	c	18	64	Las Palmas	s	22	72	Perth	s	26	79	Venice	s	20	68
Cairo				Lisbon	c	16	61	Prague	r	14	57	Vienna	f	21	70
Cape Tn	c	16	61	Locarno	s	21	70	Reykjavik	s	13	55	Warsaw	s	20	68
C'blanca	s	19	66	L Angeles*	s	18	64	Rhodes	s	28	82	Washington*	s	29	84
Chicago*	c	13	55	Luxembg	f	17	63	Riyadh	c	41	106	Wellington*	f	14	57
Ch'church*	c	14	57	Madrid	s	20	68	Rio de Jan*	f	24	75	Zurich	c	17	63

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available

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